THE

HISTORY

Of the Late

REBELLION.

With Original

Papers, and Characters

Of the Principal

Noblemen and Gentlemen

Concern'd in it.

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TO THE

Lieutenant-Generals

Carpenter and Wills,

AND

The rest of the Commanding Officers
of His MAJESTY's Forces at the
Attack at Preston.

GENTLEMEN,



S you had the Honour to Command His Majesty's Troops against the Rebels at Preston, in

Honour to your Courage and Conduct, I thought my self engag'd, when I undertook the writing this short History of the Rebellion, to do you that Justice which is due to your Merit, by assuring the World that that it was to your prudent Management and unshaken Bravery, animated by the Justice of the CAUSE, the signal Defeat of that Day was justly A 2 owing.

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owing. There have been some indeed, with a view to lessen the Characters of Brave Men, in the way of arrogating Praise to their own Party, who have pretended to affert the contrary, (some of which kept themselves warm in a Chimney-Corner during the Heat of the Action;) but I, who was an Eye-witness to all the Great and Resolute Attacks made by you, under the greatest Disadvantage imaginable, can boldly affirm, that never did Men behave better, especially in your Circumstances, being all the time naked and exposed to the Fireof the Rebels, from Windows, Barriers, Entrenchments, Oc. All which, I presume, will appear in the following History, humbly Dedicated to you, by,

Your most obedient Servant,

ROBERT PATTEN.



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PREFACE

TO THE

READER.



HE following Sheets are what I may justly call an Impartial History of the late Rebellion. If it seem to you, that I treat some of my Brethren the

Clergy a little too smartly, I protest it is out of no Disrespect to their Persons, much less to the Sacred Function they bear, which I retain the greatest Veneration and Respect for, notwithstanding any Calumnies that may be laid to my Charge.

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Amidst some strange Notions broach'd amongst us, it ought to be Matter of our grateful Returns to Heaven, that we have still a Sett of Reverend, Learned, and Pious Divines, who, animated by a true Spirit of Piety, by their Example, Pen, and Preaching, are eminent Ornamemts to the Establiff d Government in Church and State; whofe serious Admonitions, and grave Counfels, if duly regarded, wou'd speedily and effectually redress all our Grievances and Divihons. However the Reflections may rise to others, I must own they have been of singular Use to me ; for whilft I continued among those unfortunate Gentlemen (whose Principles were once my own, I look'd no farther than esteeming what I had done the least part of my Guilt: But no sooner was I removed into the Custody of a Messenger, and there closely Confin'd, where I had Leisure to reflect upon my past Life, (and especially that of engaging in the Rebellion) than agreat many Scruples offered themselves to my Consideration: In Consequence of which, I made it my Request to Lord Townshend, that he would be pleased to allow a Clergyman to converse with me; which that Noble Lord freely granted, and sent to me the Reverend Dr. Cannon, a Man of singular good Temper and Literature, who apply'd Sibnay.

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ply'd his best Endeavours to satisfy me in every Point and Query I propos'd: In which his Learning and solid Reasoning prevail'd upon me; for which good Service my best Wishes shall always attend him.

incumbent on me to make all the Reparation I could, for the Injury I had done the Government; and, as the first Thing in that Way, I became an Evidence for the King; which I am far from being asham'd of, let what Calumnies will follow. In the Interim, I cannot but particularly observe one Thing, in Opposition to what has been Printed and Reported by the Enemies of the Government, viz. that the King's Witnesses were Brib'd and Brow-beaten, to extort from them the Matters which they gave in Evidence.

As to my own Part, and I dare say I may speak it for others, I never knew any Thing of this kind; but in Honour to those who were employ'd to take my Examination, I must affirm, that I was used in the most Gentleman-like manner, far from exerting any thing by such base Arts, which no doubt wou'd e're now have appear'd under the foulest Reslections; seeing the other Party

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Party did not stick to bribe all that wou'd take their Money, and by that means too frequently gain'd their Ends: while on the other hand, it may be said, in the Face of Heaven, that fairer Tryals were never allow'd, at least to Men who so little deserv'd it.

I pray God that the Clemency shewn them, may not be a Temptation to them to repeat their Crimes; from which, of His Institute Mercy, I beg he will deliver these Kingdoms.



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HE several secret Steps, which of late have been taken to establish the pretended Son of King James II. upon the Imperial Throne of these Realms,

and which, for many Years, have been carried on by Intrigues and Cabals of Parties and Persons, against the Establishment of this Nation both in Church and State, have now at last discover'd themselves in Open Rebellion. Whatever Pretences they have made to cover their secret Practices; whatever different Mea-

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fures they have taken to carry on their Designs, they have all appear'd to centre in this one Point, (viz.) to Dethrone His Majesty King GEORGE, and to set aside the Protestant Succession in His IIlustrious Family. There is no Question to be made but that they would gladly have brought this to pass by quiet and easy Methods; and that, if possible, they would have brought the Nation into it, on the Pretences of Hereditary Right, Legitimacy of Blood, and the Divine Law of Primogeniture, which for many Years they had preach'd up as a Principle in the Church, raising innumerable Inventions of forged Stories and false Reprefentations to preposses the Minds of the People in favour of a Popish Pretender, and in prejudice of the House of Hanover. But Heaven having disappointed all those clandestine Measures, by the fudden and unexpected Death of the late Queen, and especially of the late King of France, on whose open and avow'd Engagements of Support they entirely depended; and King GEORGE, in Right of the feveral Parliamentary Settlements of the Entail, being peaceably posses'd of, and establish'd in the Throne; they had then no way left but to fly to the laft

last Resort of desperate Men, and taking Arms to break out in Open Rebellion.

Being to write of this Remarkable Event, as One among the Rest deluded to take an unhappy Share in its Progress and Consequences, I shall rather confine myfelf to the Matters of Fact historically to be related, than go back to the fecret Confultations and Refolutions by which the Persons concern'd ripen'd one another up to a Spirit of Rebellion; only observing one thing previous to the Rebellion itself, and very aggravating upon those concern'd in it, (viz.) that not only many of the Gentlemen concerned, but even the Earl of Mar himself, who was the first Mover and Head of the Rebellion itself, had not only offer'd their Service to the King, but had taken Oaths to continue faithful to him, and had in particular abjur'd the Interest of the Pretender.

I say no more of it here, being to mention it again in its Course, but this, that it was a sad Token of what Principles either of Honour or Conscience these Men proceeded upon, and which, had it been known sooner, would certainly have been an Antidote to have cur'd not me only, but many more deluded Men, of the B 2

most favourable Thoughts we had entertain'd for their Persons and Designs.

To look then no farther back, we find the first Beginning of this Rebellion discover'd it self in the Eastern Parts of Scotland, in the Provinces of Mernis, Perth-shire, Angus, &c. in the following Manner.

Several Noblemen, Gentlemen, and others in Scotland, being prepar'd by the Management and Influence of the Earl of Mar, began to draw together their Servants and Dependents in all the Places where they had Interest, making divers Pretences for fo doing, but not for fome time discovering the real Design; till at length Things ripening upon them, and Notice being taken of them, and especially the Earl of Mar being arrived among them, they boldly drew together, and openly declared themselves to have taken up Arms against King GEORGE. giving Defiance to His Forces, and fuppressing all that were loyally affected to His Person. This daring Attempt began first about the latter End of August, 1715, in the Shire of Perth, and in the Highlands of the Shire or County of Mar, where they continued some Days, gathering their People together till their Number encreased, and then barefacedly they

they advanc'd to other Places, forming themselves into a Body, and particularly at a small Market-Town named Kirk-Michael, where the Pretender was first proclaimed, and his Standard fet up, with a Summons for all People to attend it. This was on the 9th of September, where they continued 4 or 5 Days, and then made their Way to Moulin, another small Market-Town in the same Shire. Here they likewise proclaim'd the Pretender, and rested 14 Days, gathering Forces; and where, by the coming in of others of their Party, they considerably encreased their Number. From hence they marched to another Market-Town called Logarett; their Number now amounting to 1000 Men well arm'd. From Logarett they marched to an ancient City, which formerly gave Title to a Bishop, call'd Dunkeld. This Place they made their Head-Quarters; and here their Numbers encreased again considerably; for here they were joined by 2000 Men from the Highlands, by the Marquis of Tullibarden, by the Earl of Broadalbin's Men, and feveral others. Here finding themselves strengthen'd by the Addition of the Highland Men, as above, they resolved to extend their Quarters; and the Earl of Mar having Intelligence that B 3

the Earl of Rothes, and the Gentlemen of Fife, who were up in Arms for the King, were advancing to possels themselves of Perth, call'd also St. John's-Town, the principal City of these Parts, and which commands the Passage over the Tay, tefolved to be beforehand with them, and having Intelligence in the Place, he detach'd Mr. John Hay, Brother to the Earl of Kinoul, with a strong Party, giving him Orders to possels himself of that Place, which he performed effectually; which Action, as it was a great Difappointment to the King's Troops, fo it was a very great Advantage to the Earl of Mar and his Party:

of the whole Province of Fife, the most fruitful, rich, and, for the Convenience of the Sea-Ccast, the most commodious to him of any of the Provinces in that Part of Scotland, as will soon ap-

pear.

2. As it gave a great Reputation as well to his Conduct as to his Party, who upon this Success made Preparations in all Parts to draw together and join him. And now indeed they began to have the Face of a strong Army, making this City their Chief Garrison and Head Quarters. A great many Lords, Chiefs of

of Clans, and other Gentlemen from all Quarters flock'd to them, with their Followers, and some of them in very good Order and well arm'd, particularly the Marquis of Huntley, the Earl of Seaforth, the Mackintoshes, the Earl Mareschall, and with them so many, that their Number were said to be about 12000 Men, very well appointed, as well Horse as Foot.

From thence extending their Quarters, they performed an Exploit at Brunt-Island, which still added to their Reputation; where they not only surprized the Town, being strong by Situation, and a Sea-Port on the Firth of Forth, in view of the very City of Edinburgh; but Manning out some Boats in the Harbour, they went off, and seized a Ship loaden with Arms, Ammunition, and other Warlike Stores, which lay in the Firth, bound to the North, for the Use of the Earl of Sutherland.

Subsequent to this, they immediately made themselves Masters of all the Towns upon the Coast, even to the Mouth of the Firth, and, in a word, of the whole Province of Fife, the Earl of Rothes and the Gentlemen with him being oblig'd to separate, or retire to Sterling, to the King's Army.

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The Rebellion being come to this length, the E of Mar resolv'd, in concert with his Confederates, who by this time began to appear likewise in other Places, to make an Attempt upon the South Parts of Scotland, and this by a Method which at that time was not expected, and indeed scarce practicable, (viz.) by sending a ftrong Detachment of Men to cross the Firth of Forth, to land on Lothian fide there to be join'd by their Friends who' they expected to rife about Haddingtoun, and on the Borders of England. On their March to the Sea-Coast they were covered by some Horsemen under the Command of Sir John Areskin of Alva, the Master of Sinclar, and Sir Fames Sharp, Grandson to Archbishop Sharp of St. Andrews, who was murder'd in his Coach by the Old Cameronians. This Body was commanded by the Laird of Borlam, better known by the Name of Brigadier Macintolb, and confifted of 2500 Men well arm'd. Orders had been given for all the Boats on that fide to be got ready to transport them over. His Majesty's Ships then in the Firth either espying them, or having notice of the Design, prepared to prevent them, and weighing their Anchors upon the top of the Flood, fet Sail to intercept them if they should attempt

tempt the Passage; but the Rebels made feveral Counter-marches to amuse them till Night came on. They drew all down to the Shore on Wednesday Night. the 11th of October. Several embark'd that Night, and others the next Night. making directly over the South Shore. the Men of War not being able to come time enough; yet one Boat was taken with 40 Men on Board; others were forc'd back to the Fife Side again; among whom my Lord Strathmore, and his Lieutenant Colonel Walkinshaw of Barrowfield, and a great many Men were forced into the lile of May. Of the 2500 designed for this Descent upon the Lathians, only 1500 of them landed: The Men of War being come down, made it impracticable for the other to pass; so they were obliged to stay till the next Night, and then to get back to Criel on the Shore of Fife: The other getting to the Shore, landed at North Berwick, Aberlady, and other Places on that Coast, and quarter'd at Haddingtoun and Trannent the first Night. This was a bold, and, to give them their due, a brave Attempt, for Men in open Boats to cross an Arm of the Sea 16 or 17 Miles broad, in Sight, and indeed in Defiance of Three Men of War, whom they fell in among, but received no Damage

mage from them, but rather an Advantage; for the Lights of the Ships frewed them how to row to the Shore. On the other hand, the Government omitted nothing that could be done to prevent this bold Attempt; no Care was wanting to disappoint them of Vessels for the Undertaking; the Magistrates of Edinburgh and of the other Towns on the Edith having had Notice from the Duke of Argyle of this Defign, had order'd all the Boats that could be got to be brought to Leith; and besides the Three Ships of War that lay in the Road, ordered the Three Cuftom-house Smacks either to. burn or bring over from Fife all the Boats and Veffels they could find, to prevent the Rebels coming over. But all thefe Precautions prov'd ineffectual: The Rebels being Mafters of all the Sea-Shore, from Cromarty to the Forth of Edinburgh, they easily found Means to get Boats for their Purpose; nor did they fail of all neceffary Policy in the Management of the Delign; for whilst some of them amused the King's Ships about Brunt-Island, as if they would pass above Leith-Road, their main Body embarked on the other fide, under the Conduct, as before, of Brigadier Macintos of Borlam, and quite out of fight

fight of the Ships; and by this means

came fafe afhore, as above.

Whilst this Design was putting in Execution, the Earl of Mar made a seigned March from Perth toward Dumblain, as if he designed to attempt to cross the Forth at Sterling-Bridge, or there-abouts, with an intent to divert the Duke of Argyle from salling upon those that had crossed the Firth as before; nor was this part of their Design ineffectual, for it obliged the Duke of Argyle to return to Sterling in all haste; which you shall have related afterwards.

The Highlanders having thus croffed the Firth, and refresh'd themselves but one Night at Haddingtown, march'd directly towards Edinburgh, where they caused greater Fear, than there was real Danger; for unless their Number had been greater, it was as unlikely they should be able to force that City, as it was improbable that City should have resisted them had their Number been greater. It was indeed supposed that they expected to be joined by the Rabble, and to have rais'd some Tumult in the City in their Favour; but by the good Conduct of the Magistrates, and the Unanimity of the Citizens, who immediately took Arms and form'd themselves, they were disappointed.

ed, and especially by the speedy Approach of the Duke of Argyle, who, on notice of their Approach, came with a swift March from Sterling with a Detachment of Dragoons to the Assistance of the Citizens.

The Rebels march'd up within fight of the City; but finding no Numbers come out to them, and being informed as well of the Posture of the Citizens, as of the Approach of the Duke of Argyle, and, which was more than all, being sensible of the Weakness of their own Power, they halted, and calling a short Council, they resolv'd to attack Leith; so they turn'd to the Right, and marching to Leith they entred the Town without Resistance.

Here they were entire Masters of the Place; and that they might not be fallen on to their Disadvantage, they marched over the Bridge, and posted themselves in the old demolished Fort there built by Oliver Cromwell, and call'd the Citadel. Here they began to Fortify; and first they went on board the Ships in the Harbour, and seized several Pieces of Cannon, with Powder and Ball, and what else was proper for their Desence, together with a good Quantity of Brandy, Meal, Flesh, and other Provisions; and here they continued all Friday and Saturday the

the 13th and 14th of October. On Saturday the Duke of Argyle, who, as above, had come from Sterling, upon notice of their coming over the Firth, and had first given the Forces he had brought with him a little time to refresh themselves after their long and hafty March, I fay, on Saturday march'd down from Edinburgh with the 400 Horse and 200 Foot which he brought with him, and had mounted up on Country Horses for Expedition, to whom he join'd 400 Militia, and the Town-Guard of Edinburgh of 120 Men: With these his Grace set out of Edinburgh about ten in the Morning; but finding the Highlanders fo well intrenched, that it was impracticable to attack them without Cannon, by reason the Horse he had with him could do him little or no Service, he returned to Edinburgh about two in the Afternoon, and gave Orders that necessary Preparations should be made for attacking the Rebels with Artillery the next Day.

The Forces which his Grace commanded were part of Lord Portmore's, commonly called the Scots Gray, part of Lieutenant-General Carpenter's, and the Earl of Stairs's Dragoons, part of Shannon's, part of Lord Forfar's, and part of the Scots Fuziliers Foot, besides the Militia

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above, and several Noblemen and Gentle-

men Voluntiers.

The Rebels still expected that great Numbers from Edinburgh would have come out and joined them, being encouraged by the good Posture they were in; which, had it happened, they had yet a strong Inclination to attempt to enter the City; but feeing there was no longer Expectation of Encouragement (for there only came fix or feven Gentlemen to them, and gave them an Account that no body stirr'd, and that the Town was in a Posture to oppose any Attempt they should make,) and being likewise informed of the Preparations that the Duke of Argyle was making to fall upon them the next Day; that same Saturday Night, about feven a Clock, they prepared to be gone, refolving to make a Retreat under the Favour of the Darkness of the Night. Before they did this, they fent off a Boat with an Express to the Earl of Mar, to acquaint him with their Proceedings. As foon as the Boat went off, they difcharged one of their Cannon after her, to make the Men of War imagine her an Enemy to the Rebels. Nor did that Stratagem fail, but fully answered the Defign; the Boat escap'd unpursu'd, and returned to them again with Letters from the

the Earl of Mar, and new Orders, about three Hours before they left Seaton-House. Night being come, all things were made ready with the greatest Caution and Secrecy imaginable for their Retreat, which they performed in the deepest Silence, taking the Advantage of the Low Ebb of the Tide, they marched off by the Head of the Peer on the Sands, croffing the Mouth of the River no deeper than to the Knees in Water, making Eastward; so covered their Retreat, and came safe to Seaton-House, leaving about Forty behind them that had made too free with the Brandy which they found in the Cuftom-House, besides some Stragglers, that lage'd behind in their March. Several little odd Accidents happened to them in that March, occasioned by the Darkness of the Night, and the Mistakes natural to Attempts of that nature: First of all. when they came near Mulleburg, some People from the end of that Town fired upon their Front, but did no Harm, vet occasioned a great Disorder among them. At first this made the Highlanders suspect all Horsemen for Enemies; the Confequence of which was very unhappy to one of their own Number, a Gentleman of no mean Quality, Character and Fortune, and who had just joined them, whole

whose Name was Mr. Alexander Maloch. of Mutree-Shields: This Gentleman being on Horseback, was challenged by a Highlander in his Language. To which the Gentleman being a Stranger, and not able to answer in that Dialect, the Highlander shot him dead upon the Spot: The Brigadier took what Money and Gold he had about him, which was about fixty Guinea's, and left him; for they could not stay to bury him. Soon after this, viz. about a Mile farther from Musleburgh, on the other side of the Town, they were again alarm'd with the Noise of Guns firing upon the Front: And here the like Miftake occafion'd the like Mischief; for taking a Party of their own Men for Enemies, the foremost of the Body fired upon them, and killed a Serjeant belonging to the Earl of Mar's Regiment, and a private Soldier. The Night proved so very Dark, that they could not diftinguish Friends from Enemies; which was their Happiness one way, as it prevented their being discovered and pursued; but their great Mischief another way, as it made them liable to fuch false Alarms, and made them kill their own Friends instead of Enemies: At last they arrived at Seaton-House about two in the Morning; which is an ancient

ancient Castle, very large, encompass'd with a very strong, high Stone Wall, but no Ditch. Here some of their Men join'd them, who croffed the Firth farther Eastward, had not landed fo foon, and had not been able to come up to them on their March to Leith; these Men brought them an Account of the Earl of Strathmore, and other Gentlemens being forc'd ashore on the Isle of May, that were obliged to return to the Earl of Mar Sunday the 16th of October, whilst they were in Seaton-House, several of His Majesty's Forces, join'd with the well-affected Gentlemen of the Country, came from Edinburgh and appeared near Preston-Pans, which gave an Alarm to the Highlanders; upon which, a Party marched out of the Castle, and formed themselves in order to receive those that appeared against them: But those from Edinburgh having made a Halt, retir'd; which the Rebels likewise did into their Garrison at Seaton-House. Upon Monday the 17th, the Earl of Rothes with 300 Gentlemen Voluntiers, and the Lord Torphichen with 200 Dragoons which the Duke of Argyle had left, marched to Seaton-House, but found the Rebels so strongly posted, that it was impossible to dislodge or reduce them without Artillery.

still animated the Rebels, and a good Body advanc'd, as if they would charge the Gentlemen, and some Shot were exchanged, but at too great a Distance to do any Harm on either side; and the King's Troops seeing no good to be done, retired.

On Sunday the Duke of Argyle having Intelligence from Sterling that the Earl of Mar, and the Rebels under his Command, were marching from Perth, he returned to Sterling to observe the Motion of the Rebels, leaving a Party to protect the People of Edinburgh from the Infults of the Rabble. This was the Earl of Mar's feigned March to withdraw the Duke of Argyle from attempting any thing upon the Highlanders that had crossed the Firth: He gave out he would pass the Forth with all his Army, either at Sterling or at the Bridge of Down. They began their March in the Night, October 17, and advanced in three Bodies; but upon the notice that the Duke of Argyle was returned from pursuing his Friends, he marched back to Perth: All this was a Stratagem and an Amusement, which indeed fucceeded, for he got his Defign answer'd, and broke the Measures of the Duke of Argyle, who refolv'd to attack Seaton-House. As to the Earl of Mar.

Mar, he was resolv'd not to cross the Forth till he had got all the Clans together, and had reduced the Earl of Sutherland, whom if he should leave unvanquished upon his Rear, might prove fatal to his Designs, and expose all he had gained without Opposition, to be regained by that Lord.

The Highlanders continued all this while at Seaton-House, and sent out Parties to bring in Provisions, of which they brought in great Plenty, as Cows, Sheep, Meal, Oc. and gave out that they refolv'd to fortify there, and make Seaton-House a Magazine, while they raised an Army, as they pretended also, as well from the Country round about, and from Edinburgh, and from other Friends to their Delign in the West part of Scotland, who were preparing to join them, as from the Borders of England, where by this time Numbers were rifen in Northumberland by the Lords and others in England; of whom I shall say farther hereafter.

While they continued here they discovered a Boat at Sea, making towards the Shore from the Fife-side of the Firth: The Men of War fired very hotly at her; but the Boat keeping to the Windward at a distance, she got safe to Shore.

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This was the same Boat that went off from Leith, and brought News concerning their Friends Proceedings at Perth, and Orders to march toward England, to join the New-risen Rebels in Northumberland. The Boat landed them at a small Harbour called Port-Seaton, a small Town where Ships used to take in Coal and Salt. Prefently after these Orders, (viz.) on Tuesday the 18th, two Gentlemen brought them an Account of the Infurrection in Northumberland for the Pretender, under the Command of Mr. Forster; and of the South-Country Scots Gentlemen, under the Command of the Lord Viscount Kenmure: Upon those several Pieces of Intelligence, they altered their Resolution of continuing at Seaton-House, and at the same time receiving alfo an Express from Mr. Forster, inviting them to meet him at Kelsey on the Border; they resolved to march next Day to meet him. This was Wednesday the 19th, which they did accordingly, fetting out in the Morning for a small Country Town called Longformachus, which is feventeen long Scots Miles from Seaton-House. During this Day's March, several of the Highlanders lagg'd behind and deferted. As foon as Major-General Wightman received Intelligence of their Motion, he

he marched from Edinburgh with 80 Dragoons, 50 Militia, and fome Voluntiers to attack their Rear; but returned in the Evening, re infecta, having only taken up some of the Rebel Deserters whom he made Prisoners, and left the 50 Foot in Seaton-House, recovering a great deal of their Spoil which was left there behind. Macintosh, and his Men set out again from their Night's Quarters at Long formachus, towards another small Town in the Mers called Dunse, the Place of Nativity of the learned and famous Foannes Dunse Scotus: Here they drew up in Order of. Battle whilft the Pretender was proclaimed, retiring afterwards to their Quarters in that Town. The next Morning being Saturday the 22d of October, they march'd towards Kelso, which Town the English and Scots Horse, that is to say the Northumberland and Nithsdale Rebels, entred the fame Evening. The Highlanders, in Compliment to their Bravery and Conduct shewn in passing the Firth, and so often facing their Enemies, were met by the Scots Horse at Ednembridge: It seems the Cavalry were so earnest to pay this Respect to the Foot, that they made no stop at Kelso, but went forward to conduct the Foot into the Town; which they did accordingly about three a Clock in teapes :

in the Afternoon; fo that at that time all their Forces were got together. Brigadier Macintolb, upon all the Marches he had made, and in all the feveral Towns he came at, had been very careful to collect all the Money he could get of the Publick Revenue. In one of his Marches, passing by the House of one Dr. Sinclair. he gave Orders to fet fire to it; but one Mr. William Miller, who had the Title of Major in his Regiment, by his Perfualion, prevailed with him to forbear those Reprisals for the present. Reason why the Brigadier would have done this, is as follows: This Dr. Sinclair and the Laird of Humby had Intelligence that there were some People got together in the House of Mr. Hepburne of Keith, near Haddingtoun: This Hepburne was a Gentleman known to be a Friend of the Pretender's, and no question, had a Design to join the Rebels. Upon this Intelligence, Dr. Sinclair got some of the Militia and Neighbours together to attack them, and, if possible, prevent their Design. Mr. Hepburne and his Sons, with a Relation and some Servants, who were all that were in the House, took the Alarm, and finding they were beset, mounted their Horses resolving to break thro' and make their Escapes:

scapes: Dr. Sinclair and his Troop finding they were better mounted than his Men, and resolute also not to surrender, fired upon them, and killed Mr. Hepburne's younger Son, a Youth wonderfully lamented, being singularly beloved by all that knew him. Dr. Sinclair was blamed for this, and his too particular Behaviour against Mr. Hepburne, who was his next Door Neighbour: And this caused many to press the Brigadier to fire his House; which however, as above, was not done. This was the first Blood spilt in the Rebellion.

Having thus brought all the Rebels into Kelso to their Rendezvous, as well from the North and West Parts of Scotland as from England, I must leave them there a little, while I go back into Northumberland, and give some Account of the Rising and Motion of the Rebels on that side; as also of some of their Measures and Marches, till they came and join'd the Highland Foot at Kelso, as above.

There had been Measures concerted at London, by the Pretender's Friends, sometime before the Insurrection in Northumberland broke out; to which Capt. John Shaftoe, a Half-pay Officer since Executed at Presson, and Capt. John Hunter of North-Tyne in the County of Northum-C4 berland,

berland, who had a Commission from Q. Anne to raise an independant Company, but did not, assisted : Besides these two. there was one Captain Robert Talbott, an Irishman and Papist, formerly in the French Service; who likewise being acquainted with the Design in August 1715, took Shipping at London, and went to Newcastle. By this Gentleman the Resolutions taken at London were first communicated to their Friends in the North of England, and Means us'd to persuade and prepare the Gentlemen they had embarqu'd with them to be ready to rife upon warning given. And here, that I may enter into that part of the History of the Rebellion, which tho' most useful to be known, yet none of those who have pretended to write of these things, have yet been able to give a particular Account of, or indeed to much as to entertain any Notion of; I say, that this needful part may be laid open, I must observe, That as it is very reasonable to suppose a Design of this Consequence could not be carried on by the Measures concerted, the Parties furnished, prepar'd and brought together in a Posture fit to appear in Arms against the Government, without long Debates, frequent Correspondences, carrying and recarrying of Letters, Orders, &c. and abundance

abundance of People employ'd to concert Measures, and ripen up things to the heigth they afterwards were brought to; fo it is worth observing how that Intelligence was managed, and in what manner they went on for some time before they broke out into open Rebellion. And first we are to observe, that the grand Defign was laid at London, and that there the Measures were principally concerted; from whence, as from the Center, conveying Life and Vigour to the Parts, a Correspondence and Intelligence was fettled with all the Conspirators in the feveral Parts of Britain. But as this was a Correspondence of too much Weight to be carryed on by the ordinary Conveyance of Letters, there were several Gentlemen from fundry Parts in the Kingdom, riding from Place to Place as Travellers, pretending a Curiofity to view the Country, and thereby carrying Intelligence, discoursing with Persons, and fettling and appointing their Bufiness. The principal Men entrusted with these Negotiations, were Colonel Oxburgh, Mr. Nich. Wogan, Mr. Charles Wogan, and Mr. James Talbott, all Irish, and Papists: A second Class of Agents confisted of Mr. Clifton, Brother to Sir Gervase Clifton, and Mr. Beaumont, both Gentlemen

tlemen of Nottinghamsbire, and Mr. Buxton a Clergyman of Derbysbire. All these rid like Gentlemen, with Servants and Attendants, and were armed with Sword and Piftols. They kept always moving, and travelled from Place to Place, till things ripened for Action. The first step towards their appearing in Arms was, when, about the latter end of September. the Lord Derwentwater had notice that there was a Warrant out from the Secretary of State to apprehend him, and that the Messengers were come to Durham that were to take him. Mr. Forster likewife having notice of the like Warrant against him. Upon this News, they had a full Meeting of the Parties concern'd. in Northumberland; where confulting all the Circumstances of their Friends, and of the Interest they were embark'd in, they boldly refolv'd, That there was no Safety any longer in shifting from Place to Place; that in a few Days they would be all fecur'd, and clapp'd up in feveral Prisons, or hurried away to London; that as they should be feverally confin'd, so they would be severally examined, and none could fay what the other should anfwer: So that for fear of betraying one another, they should be really brought to do it; That now was the time to shew

flew their Loyalty to their King (Pretender,) and that if this Opportunity was loft, they had no room to hope for another; and that therefore they would immediately appear in Arms. Purfuant to this Resolution, an Appointment was made, and notice of it fent to all their Friends, to meet the next Morning which was the 6th of October, at a Place called Green-rig, which was done accordingly; for Mr. Forster, with several Gentlemen, in Number at first about Twenty, met at the Rendezvous; but made no stay here, thinking the Place inconvenient, but rode immediately to the top of a Hill called the Waterfalls; from whence they might discover any that came either to join them or to oppose them. They had not been long here but they discovered the Earl of Derwentwater, who came that Morning from his own Seat at Dilstone, with some Friends, and all his Servants, mounted fome upon his Coach-Horses, and others upon very good useful Horses, and all very well arm'd: They halted at the Seat of Mr. Errington, where there were several other Gentlemen appointed to meet, who join'd the Lord Derwentwater; and then they came on altogether to the Places appointed, and where the forenamed

named Company attended. They were now near 60 Horse, most Gentlemen and their Attendants; when, calling a short Council, it was concluded to march towards the River Coquett, to a Place called Plainfield: Here they were join'd by others, who came straggling in, and having made some stay here, they refolved to go that Night to Rothbury, a fmall Market-Town: Here they stay'd all Night; and next Morning being the 7th of October, their Number still encreasing, they marched to Warkworth, another Market-Town upon the Seacoaft, and strong by its Situation, famous formerly for a Caftle, the Body of which still remains: Here they continued till Monday; during which time, nothing material happened, except that on Sunday Morning Mr. Forster, who now stiled himself General, sent Mr. Buxton their Chaplain to Mr. Ion the Parson of the Parish, with Orders for him to pray for the Pretender as King; and in the Litany, for Mary Queen-Mother, and all the dutiful Branches of the Royal Family; and to omit the usual Names of King George, the Prince and Princess; which Mr. Ion wisely declining, the other, viz. Mr. Buxton, took Possession of the Church, read Prayers and Preached. Mean while the

the Parson went to Newcastle to consult his own Safety, and acquaint the Government with what happened. The next thing they did, was openly to Proclaim the Pretender as King of Great-Britain, &c. It was done by Mr. Forster in difguise, and by the found of Trumpet, and all the Formality that the Circumftances and Place would admit. It may be observed that this was the first Place where the Pretender was so avowedly pray'd for and proclaimed as King of these Realms. Buxton's Sermon gave mighty Encouragement to his Hearers, being full of Exhortations, flourishing Arguments, and cunning Infinuations to be Hearty and Zealous in the Cause; for he was a Man of a comely Rersonage, and could humour his Discourse to induce his Hearers to believe what he preached, having very good Natural Parts, and being pretty well Read.

On Monday the 10th of October, they marched to Morpeth, a very considerable Market-Town belonging to the Earl of Carlifle, and gives Title to his eldest Son. Upon their March to this Town, their Number got a considerable Addition: At Felton Bridge they were joined by 70 Scots Horse, or rather Gentlemen from the Borders; and they had been conside-

rably

rably encreased before, in their March from Warkworth, at Alnwick, and other Places; fo that at their entring this Town they were 300 strong, all Horse; for they would entertain no Foot, elfe their Number would have been very large: But as they neither had nor could provide Arms for those they had mounted, they gave the common People good Words, and told them that they would foon be furnished with Arms and Ammunition, and that then they would Lift Regiments to form an Army: This was upon the Expectation they had of furprising Newcastle; in which case, they did not question to have had as many Foot as they pleafed. Here Mr. Forfter receiv'd an Account that Mr. Lancelot Errington, and fome others, had furprised the Castle in the Holy Island; which is a small Fort guarded by a few Soldiers fent Weekly from the Garrison at Berwick. Errington undiscovered, took Boat and went to Sea, and with his Companions landed under the Cover of the Wall, and got into the Fort by Surprise; tho' he kept the Possession but a very little while, for the Governor of Berwick having an immediate Account of the Action, and resolving, if possible, to recover the Place before Errington could be supply'd with Men

Men and Provisions, detach'd a Party of 20 Men of his Garison, with about 50 Voluntiers of the Inhabitants, and marching over the Sands at Low-water-mark, attack'd the Fort, and took it Sword in hand; Errington himself attempting to make his Escape, was wounded and taken Prisoner, with several others; but, with his Brother, afterwards got out of Berwick in Difguise. The Defign of taking this Fort was to give Signals to any Ships that feem'd to make to the Coast to land Soldiers; for by the Assurances they had from their Friends beyond Sea, they expected them to land on that Coast with Supplies of Arms and Officers; but they never came till they were gone for Scotland, and then Two Ships appear'd off at Sea, and made their Signals; but having no Answer from the Shore, made Sail Northward. The Rebellion was now formed, and they were all in a Body at Morpeth, promising themselves great things at Newcastle, and several Gentlemen joined them there, and feveral of the Country People came in, and offer'd to Lift; but they still declined them, and prepared to march to Newcastle. But before they went, Mr. Buxton the Clergyman taking on himfelf the Office of a Herald, as well as of a Churchman,

Churchman, Proclaimed the Pretender. Here it was that they receiv'd their first Disappointment (viz.) in the Affair of Newcastle, which they expected should open its Gates to them; but finding fome Delay in it, they promised themfelves to have it in a few Days; and in the mean time they turn'd a little to the Westward, and march'd to Hexam, an ancient Town famous for it's Privileges and Immunities, and its once stately, but now ruinous Cathedral, formerly, for many Years a Bishop's Seat, of which three are canonized. This Town is distant from Morpeth 14 long Miles: Here they were join'd by some more Scots Horse. From this Town they all march'd, few or none knowing whither, and went three Miles distant to a Heath or Moor adjoining to Dilston, the Seat of the Lord Derwentwater, and there they made a Halt; this was with Defign, as was thought, to go to Newcastle for the Surprize of that Town, which, as above, they hoped to have done fooner: It is certain they had a great many Friends there; and it was reported among them that Sir William Blackett would joyn them. If all that was faid of this Gentleman's Conduct was true, they were not in the wrong to have some Dependence

dence upon his Affistance: But whether or not he was actually engaged, remains a Secret; for he managed fo well as to keep out of the way. His Interest is indeed very considerable in the Town of Hexam, being one of their Representatives in Parliament, and he has in his Service a great many Colliers and Keelmen, who in flat Boats call'd Keels, convey the Coals from the Collieries to the Ships. He has likewise several Leadmines on that fide the Country, which employ a great many Hands: Whether his Interest was so strong among these People, as to bring them to take Arms, by his Order, against their Sovereign, I will not fay, or whether they received any Orders of that kind from him: But this we had a certain Account of, (viz.) that these Men were ordered to provide themselves with Arms, and to be ready to go with One who is a kind of Steward or Governour over them, where-ever he should direct; but whether this was to be for the Service of the Government, or for the Service of the Pretender is not certainly known. Charity bids us hope they were engaged by this Steward for the King's Interest, especially because he has always pretended to be engaged in the Interest

of His Majesty King George. The Rebels that had gone out of Hexam to the Moor, as above, return'd again to their Quarters, having certain Intelligence from some of their Friends in Newcastle, that even before any Regular Forces entred that Town, the Magistrates and Deputy-Lieutenants having first had some Suspicion, and soon after positive Intelligence of the Defigns of the Rebels to furprife the Town, had effectually prevented it, and had taken all imaginable Precaution for their Security, raising immediately what Men they could, fecuring and imprisoning all Papists and sufpected Persons, arming and encouraging the Inhabitants for their own Defence. Indeed the Magistrates shew'd a very commendable Zeal in the Interest of the King, and the Service of the Town, and no less Courage in their Application to the Defence of the Place. got the Militia and Train-bands, who about that Time were order'd to muster at Killinworth-Moor near the Town, to be taken into it for its better Defence: the same time the Earl of Scarborough. Lord Lieutenant of the County of Northumberland repaired with his Friends to Newcastle: And the Gentry of those Parts, after his Lordship's Example, mounted their

their Neighbours and Tenants on Horseback, fo that the Town was full of Horses and Men, both Townsmen and Countrymen unanimously declaring for King However, the Chiefs of the GEORGE. Rebels having great Interest in that Place, the Inhabitants were not altogether without Fear; nor were the High Party in the Town without the Folly of discovering their Well-wishes to the Rebels at Hexam, and even using some threatning Expressions, which the other ought to understand as so many Declarations of their Intentions, if the Power had been in their Hands to have acted according to their apparent Intentions.

This perhaps was partly the Occasion of laying aside the former Divisions and Prejudices between one another as Churchmen and Diffenters; the Latter cheerfully offering, and the Former freely accepting the Offer, an Affociation was entred into by both Sides, for the mutual Defence of their Lives and Estates; and a Body of 700 Voluntiers were arm'd by the Town for their immediate Guard, without Distinction; and the Keel-men, being mostly Dissenters, offered a Body of 700 Men more, to be always ready at half an Hour's Warning, which was also accepted at the same time the Affociation D_2

fociation aforefaid was fign'd by the whole Body of the Loyal Inhabitants. In the middle of this Hurry also a Battallion of Foot, and Part of a Regiment of Dragoons being order'd out of Yorkshire for the Security of the Town, having made long Marches, they came to Newcastle, and then all their Fears vanished: But they were all farther eas'd of these Diforders a few Days after; for Lieutenant-General Carpenter having been ordered by the Government to go in Pursuit of the Rebels, with Hotham's Regiment of Foot, Cobham's Molesworth's, and Churchill's Dragoons, for which Purpose he fet out from London the 15th of October, and arrived at Newcastle the 18th, where he began to prepare for attacking the Gentlemen at Hexam, waiting a little for the coming up of the Troops. It is to be observed that the Town of Newcastle is not a Place to be entred as an open Village, but has an old and very ffrong Stone-Wall about it, and very good Gates to defend it, tho' they had no Cannon planted: The Gates also were walled up with Stone and Lime very strong, in case of any Attempt; so that without Cannon they could not have affaulted the Town. But the Rebels gave them no occasion to make use either of Walls

or Gates, as we shall see presently. But first let us see how they spent their Time at They flaid there but three Days, tho' they were not idle during that time; for first they seized all the Arms and Horses they could lay their Hands on, especially such as belong'd to those who were well-affected Subjects to the King. Next, here Mr. Buxton went to the Minister of the Town, and desired him or his Curate to Read Prayers, commanding that in them he should mention the Pretender by Name, as King James III. The Minister modestly declined it; for there was no speaking boldly to them; fo Mr. Buxton officiated, and performed as usual. The Night before they left the Town, they were all drawn round the Cross in the Market-Place, where the Pretender was proclaimed, and the Proclamation fixed to the Cross, which remain'd there feveral Days after the Rebels were gone; which, some say, is an Evidence of that Town's good Inclination to His Majesty King GEORGE; and others added, that the Bailiff and Clerk were too much of the Principles of the Lord of their Manor Sir W-Bla—, else they would have exerted their Authority, and shewed their Loyalty in pulling down that Proclamation. Here the the Rebels had notice of the Viscount Kenmure's, the Earls of Nithsdale's, Carnwath's, and Winton, who had taken Arms in Nithisdale, Dumfreis-shire, and other Places in the West of Scotland, having entred England to join them, and that they were come to Rothbury. Upon this News, but more especially on the aforesaid News of General Carpenter preparing to attack them, they march'd out of Hexam, Wednesday the 19th of October, and making a long March, they joyned them and their Men that Night; and both of them next Day march'd to Wooler in the County of Northumberland. Here they rested all Friday, where I, with some Men which I had Inlifted, joyned them, and was kindly entertained by the Chiefs. Here Mr. Errington brought them an Account of the Highlanders being also coming to join them, and that they were advanced to Dunse, of which a full Account has been given already. On this News they march'd for Kelso in Scotland. On this Day's March they feiz'd feveral Horses, and made Mr. Selbye a Gentleman of that Country a Prisoner. A little before they came to Kelso, they made a Halt upon a Moor; and there the Gentlemen formed into Troops, were drawn out by themselves, and called over; not only

only by their Names, but by their defign'd Offices for the feveral Troops: And it is to be observ'd, that to each Troop they affigned Two Captains, being the only way they had to oblige fo many Gentlemen. Whilst they were thus employed, there came fome Townsmen from Kelfo, and acquainted the Rebels that Sir William Bennet of Grubbet, who had been in Kelso, and had barri-cado'd the Town, pretending to keep Post there, had gone off in the Night with his Men, who were only Militia and Servants, and that they might enter the Town without Opposition; fo they continued their March, and croffing the River Tweed, tho' very deep at that time, and rapid, they entred the Town. Highlanders came into the Town prefently after from the Scots Side, with their Bag-pipes playing, led by old Mackintofb; but they made a very indifferent Figure; for the Rain and their long Marches had extremely fatigued them, tho' their old Brigadier, who march'd at the Head of them, appeared very well. Next Day being Sunday the 23d of October, my Lord Kenmure having the chief Command in Scotland, ordered me to preach at the Great Kirk of Kelso, and not at the Episcopal Meeting-House,

and gave further Orders that all the Men should attend Divine Service. Mr. Buxton read Prayers, and I Preached on these Words. Deut. xxi. 17. the latter part of the Verse, The Right of the Firstborn is his. All the Lords that were Protestants, with a vast Multitude of People attended: It was very agreeable to fee how decently and reverently the very common Highlanders behav'd, and answer'd the Responses according to the Rubrick, to the Shame of many that pretend to more polite Breeding. In the Afternoon Mr. William Irwine a Scots Clergyman and Nonjuror read Prayers, and Preach'd a Sermon full of Exhortations to his Hearers to be zealous and fleddy in the Cause: He told me afterwards that he had formerly preach'd the fame Sermon in the Highlands of Scotland to the Lord Viscount Dundee and his Men, when they were in Arms against King William, a litttle before the Battle of Gilleycranky. Next Morning the Highlanders were drawn up in the Churchyard, and fo march'd in Order to the Market-place, with Colours flying, Drums beating, and Bag-pipes playing, and there form'd a Circle, the Lords and other Gentlemen standing in the Centre: There was an inner Circle formed alfo

also by the Gentlemen Voluntiers: Then Silence being enjoined, the Trumpet sounded; after which the Pretender was proclaimed by one Seaton Barnes, who assumed the Title of Earl of Dumferling. The Proclamation was to this Effect:

"Whereas by the Decease of the late." King James the VIIth, the Imperial "Crowns of these Realms did lineally descend to his lawful Heir and Son our Sovereign James the VIIIth: We

"the Lords, &c. do declare him our lawful King over Scotland, England, &c.

Then was Read the following Manifesto of the Earl of Mar.

MANIFESTO by the Noblemen, Gentlemen, and others, who dutifully appear at this Time in afferting the undoubted Right of their lawful Sovereign James VIII. by the Grace of God, King of Scotland, England, France, and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. and for relieving this his ancient Kingdom from the Oppressions and Grievances it lies under.

TIS Majesty's Right of Blood to the Crowns of these Realman I to the Crowns of these Realms " is undoubted, and has never been difputed or arraigned by the least Cir-

cumstance of lawful Authority.

" By the Laws of God, by the ancient Constitutions, and by the positive " unrepeal'd Laws of the Land, we " are bound to pay his Majesty the Du-"ty of Loyal Subjects. Nothing can absolve us from this our Duty of Sub-" jection and Obedience; the Laws of "God require our Allegiance to our rightful King; the Laws of the Land " fecure our Religion and other Interests; " and his Majesty giving up himself to " the Support of his Protestants Sub-" jects, puts the Means of securing to " us our Concerns Religious and Civil " in our own Hands.

" Our Fundamental Conflitution has " been entirely altered and funk amidst " the various Shocks of unstable Faction; " while in the fearthing out new Expe-" dients pretended for our Security, it " has produced nothing but daily Dif-" appointments, and has brought us and our Posterity under a precarious Depen-" dance upon foreign Councils and Inte-" rests, and the Power of Foreign Troops.

"The late unhappy Union, which was brought about by the mistaken " Notions of fome, and the ruinous and " felfish Defigns of others, has prov'd fo " far from lessening and healing the Dif-" ferences betwixt his Majesty's Sub-" jects of Scotland and England, that it " has widened and increased them; and " it appears by Experience so inconsistent " with the Rights, Priveleges, and Inte-" refts of us and our good Neighbours " and Fellow-Subjects of England, that " the Continuance of it must inevitably " ruin us, and hurt them: Nor can any " Way be found out to relieve us, and " restore our ancient and independent " Constitution, but by restoring our " rightful and natural King, who has " the only undoubted Right to reign " over us: Neither can we hope that " the Party who chiefly contribute to " bring us into Bondage, will at any " time endeavour to work our Relief; " fince it is known how strenuously they " opposed, in Two late Instances, the Ef-" forts that were made by all Scotsmen " by themselves, and supported by the best and wisest of the English, towards " fo desirable an End, as they will not ad-" venture openly to disown the Dissoluti-" of the Union to be. 66 Our

"Our Substance has been wasted in in the late ruinous Wars; and we see an unavoidable Prospect of having Wars continued on us and our Posterity, so long as the Possession of the Crown is not in the right Line.

"The Hereditary Rights of the Sub-

"The Hereditary Rights of the Sub-"jects, tho' confirm'd by Conventions and Parliaments, are now treated as of

" no Value or Force; and past Services to

" the Crown and Royal Family, are now look'd upon as Grounds of Suspicion.

"A pack'd up Assembly, who call themselves a British Parliament, have,

" as far as in them lies, inhumanely murder'd their own and our Sovereign,

" by promising a great Sum of Money

" as the Reward of so execrable a

" Crime.

"They have profcribed, by unaccount"able and groundless Impeachments
"and Attainders, the worthy Patriots of
"England, for their honourable and suc-

" cessful Endeavours to restore Trade, "Plenty, and Peace to these Nations.

"They have broken in upon the Laws
"of both Countries, by which the Liber"ty of our Persons was secured; they
"have empower'd a Foreign Prince (who
notwithstanding his Expectation of the
"Crown for 15 Years, is still unac-

" quaint-

" quainted with our Manners, Customs, " and Language) to make an absolute " Conquest (if not timely prevented) " of the Three Kingdoms, by investing " himself with an unlimited Power, not " only of raising unnecessary Forces at " Home, but also of calling in Foreign "Troops, ready to promote his uncon-" troulable Defigns: Nor can we be e-" ver hopeful of its being otherwise in " the Way it is in at prefent, for fome " Generations to come; and the fad Con-" fequences of these unexampled Proceed-" ings have really been fo fatal to great " Numbers of our Kinsmen, Friends, and "Fellow - Subjects of both Kingdoms, "that they have been constrain'd to abandon their Country, Houses, Wives, and Children, or give themselves up " Prisoners, and perhaps Victims to be " facrificed at the Pleasure of Foreign-" ers, and a few hot-headed Men of a " reftless Faction whom they employ. "Our Troops Abroad, notwithstanding " of their long and remarkable good Servi-" ces, have been treated, fince the Peace, " with Neglect and Contempt, and parti-" cularly in Holland; and it is not now the " Officers long Service, Merit, and Blood " they have loft, but Money and Favour " by which they can obtain Justice in " their

" their Preferments; so that it is evident " the Safety of his Majesty's Person, and " Independency of his Kingdoms, call " loudly for immediate Relief and De-

" fence.

" The Confideration of these unhap-" py Circumstances, with the due Regard we have to common Justice, the " Peace and Quiet to us and our Poste-" rity, and our Duty to his Majesty and " his Commands, are the powerful Mo-" tives that have engaged us in our pre-" fent Undertakings, which we are firm-" ly and heartily resolved to push to the " utmost, and stand by one another to " the last Extremity, as the only solid " and effectual Means of putting an end " to fo dreadful a Prospect, as by our " present Situation we have before our " Eyes: And with faithful Hearts, true " to our only rightful King, our Coun-" try, and our Neighbours, we earnest-" ly befeech and expect (as his Majesty's " Commands) the Affistance of all our " true Fellow-Subjects, to fecond this " our first Attempt; declaring hereby " our fincere Intentions, That we will " promote and concur, in all lawful " Means, for setling a lasting Peace to " these Lands, under the auspicious Go-" vernment of our native-born rightful " Sovereign,

" Sovereign, the Direction of our Do" mestick Councils, and the Protection
" of our native Forces and Troops.
" That we will in the same manner

" concur and endeavour to have our "Laws, Liberties, and Properties fecu" red by the Parliaments of both King" doms. That by the Wisdom of fisch

"doms: That by the Wisdom of such "Parliaments we will endeavour to have

" fuch Laws enacted, as shall give abso-" lute Security to us, and future Ages,

" for the Protestant Religion, against all "Efforts of Arbitrary Power, Popery,

" and all its other Enemies. Nor have "we any Reason to be distrustful of the Goodness of God, the Truth and Pu-

" rity of our Holy Religion, or the known

"Excellency of his Majesty's Judgment, as not to hope that in due time, good Example and Conversation with our

" learned Divines, will remove these "Prejudices, which we know his Edu-

" cation in a Popish Country has not ri-

" vetted in his royal discerning Mind; and we are sure, as Justice is a Virtue

" in all Religions and Professions, so the doing of it to him will not lessen his

" good Opinion of ours.

"That as the King is willing to give his royal Indemnity for all that is past, fo he will cheerfully concur in passing

" general

" general Acts of Oblivion, that our "Fellow-Subjects who have been missed,

" may have a fair Opportunity of living

" with us in the same friendly manner

" we defign to live with them.

"That we will use our utmost En-"deavours for redressing the bad Usage

" of our Troops Abroad, and bringing

" the Troops at Home to be on the same

" Foot and Establishment of Pay as those

of England.

"That we will fincerely and heartily go into such Measures as shall maintain

" effectually, and establish a right, firm,

" and lasting Union betwixt his Maje-

"fty's ancient Kingdom of Scotland, and our good Neighbours and Fellow-Sub-

" jects of the Kingdom of England.

"The Peace of these Nations being

" thus setled, and we thus freed from Fo-" reign Dangers, we will use our Endea-

" vours to have the Army reduced to

" the usual Number of Guards and Gar-

" rifons; and will concur in fuch Laws

and Methods, as shall relieve us of the

" heavy Taxes and Debts now lying up-

" on us; and at the same time will sup-"port the Publick Credit in all its Parts.

"And we do hereby promise and en-

" gage, That every Officer who joins with us in our King and Country's

" Cause,

" Cause, shall not only enjoy the same " Post he now does, but shall be advanced " and preferr'd according to his Rank " and Station, and the Number of Men " he brings off with him to us; and each " Foot-Soldier so joining with us, shall " have Twenty Shillings sterling; and " each Trooper or Dragoon, who brings " Horse and Accoutrements along with " him, Twelve Pounds sterling Gratuity, " besides their Pay. " And in general, we shall concur " with all our Fellow-Subjects in fuch

" Measures, as shall make us flourish at " Home, and be formidable Abroad, under " our righful Sovereign, and the peace-" ful Harmony of our ancient fundamen-" tal Constitution, undisturbed by a Pre-" tender's Interests and Councils from " Abroad, or a restless Faction at Home. " In fo honourable, fo good, and just

" a Cause, we do not doubt of the Assist-" ance, Direction, and Bleffing of Al-" mighty God, who has fo often fuc-" cour'd the Royal Family of Stuarts, and " our Country, from finking under Op-" pression.

This Manifesto being ended, the People with loud Acclamations shouted NO Union! NO Malt, NO Salt-TAX! Then

Then the Highlanders returned to their Quarters, where they continued till Thurfday; during which time nothing material happened, but that they failed not here, as well as in all Places, to demand all the Publick Revenues, viz. of Excise, Customs, or Taxes, and to fearch for Arms, of which they found very few, unless some fmall Pieces of Cannon of different Size and Shape, which formerly belonged to Hume-Castle, and had been employ'd in former Ages in that strong Hold against the English, but were at this time brought from thence by Sir William Bennet aforefaid, to be placed at the Barricadoes which he had made in the Streets leading to the Market-Place: They likewife found fome broad Swords hid in the Church, and a fmall quantity of Gunpowder. There happened a very uncommon Accident while they remain'd here, which is worth recording, for the Singularity of it; a Highlander having taken the Lock from his Musket, he laid down the Barrel. &c, cross the Arms of a Chair, whilst he at two Yards distance having cleaned, and trying the Lock, a spark of Fire flew from it directly and most exactly the Touch-hole of the Piece which was loaded, and went off and wounded three Children fitting round the Fire: And it

was the more strange, that at such a Distance, by meer Chance, a Spark should direct its way to the Touch-hole, and the Bullet should wound all the three Children, who did not sit in a Line.

There were no Hostilities used here, only the Horse going out a Forraging, went to a Seat of the Duke of Roxburgh's near the Town, and brought in some Hay. While they continued here, Dr. Arthur, a Gentleman concerned in that designed Attempt upon the Castle of Edinburgh, of very good Parts, and generous Education, and one Mr. Cunningham of Barnes, came from the Earl of Mar with Intelligence, and returned to him again; after which, the fame Gentlemen came again to the Rebels when at Preston. Before I leave this Town, I shall give some Account of what Force the Rebel-Troops now confifted, as well because they were more in Number at that time, and better armed Men than at any time after; as also because so many different Accounts of their Numbers have been made publick, that it is not easy to know what may be depended upon. The Lord Viscount Kenmure had the chief Command whilst in Scotland: He was a grave full-aged Gentleman of a very ancient Family, and he himself of extraordinary E 2 Knowledge

Knowledge and Experience in Publick and Political Business, tho' utterly a stranger to all Military Affairs; of a fingular good Temper, and too Calm and Mild to be qualified for such a Post, being both plain in his Dress and in his Address. He made his first Rendezvous at Lochmabben: He had a Troop of Gentlemen with him, which, as he was General, was call'd the First Troop, the Command of which he gave to the Honourable Bazil Hamilton of Beldoun, Son to the Lord Bazil Hamilton Brother to the late Duke Hamilton, a very promising Youth, and who behaved himself with a great deal of Courage in the Action at Preston, tho' but very young.

The Second Troop was called the Merse-Troop, commanded by the Honourable James Hume, Brother to the Earl of Hume, who at that time was Prifoner in Edinburgh-Castle. This Youth is of a good Temper, but not very capable of having the Command of a Troop, as well on account of his Age as other

Incapacities.

The Third Troop called the Earl of Wintown's Troop, and commanded by himself. This Earl is of a very ancient Family, wants no Courage nor so much Capacity as his Friends find it for his Interest

terest to suggest, especially if we may judge by the Counfel he gave: He was always forward for Action, but never for the March into England; and he ceased not to thwart the Schemes which the Northumberland Gentlemen laid down for marching into England, not so much from the Certainty which, as he faid, there was of their being overpower'd, as from the greater Opportunity which, as he infifted, there was of doing Service to their Cause in Scotland; in order to which, he argued with and preffed them back into Scotland, and leaving Edinburgh and Sterling to their Fate, to go and join the Western Clans, attacking in their way the Town of Dumfries, and Glasgow, and other Places, and then open a Communication with the Earl of Mar and his Forces. Which Advice, if followed, in all probability would have tended to their great Advantage, the King's Forces being then fo fmall. However therefore fome People have represented that Lord, of which I shall fay no more, all his Actions both before a Prisoner, and whilst such till he made his Escape out of the Tower, speak him to be Master of more Penetration, than many of those whose Characters fuffer no Blemish as to their Understandings. The Command of this Troop he assigned E 2

assigned, under himself, to Captain James Dalziel Brother to the Earl of Carnwath, who had been in King George's Service formerly, and continued an Half-pay Officer for some time; but upon engaging in the Rebellion, he threw up his Commission; which piece of Policy was the saving of his Life, and prevented his being shot to death at Preston by Sentence of the Court-Martial among the Half-pay Officers. He was a very bold and brave young Gentleman, and shew'd it upon all Occasions.

The Fourth Troop belonged to Robert Dalziel Earl of Carnwath: This Nobleman was brought up under the Tuition of one who made it his study'd Care to instill the Principles of Hereditary Right, Passive Obedience, and Non-Resistance into his Mind. He study'd some time at Cambridge, and there sucked in an intire Affection for the Liturgy and Worship in use in the Church of England, of which he was a fincere Devotee. He is fingularly good in his Temper, and of an agreeable Affability, and delivers himself very handsomely in his Discourse. The Command of this Troop he gave over to his Uncle John Dalziel Esq; This Gentleman has a very good Character, and gave sufficient Demonstration of his Affections

fections to the Pretender's Interest, by his

Courage and Conduct.

The Fifth Troop was under the Command of Captain Lockart, Brother to Mr. Lockart of Carnwath: He was a Halfpay Officer, and as fuch Try'd at Preston by a Court Martial; by which being found Guilty of Desertion, he, with three more, were shot to death there. He was a young Gentleman of a comely Appearance and very handsome: He gave several Instances of his Bravery: He died very Penitent for all his Sins, but would not acknowledge that to be one for which he suffer'd.

These Troops were well Mann'd, and indifferently Armed; but many of the Horses small, and in mean Condition: Besides these Troops, there were a great many Gentlemen Voluntiers, who were not formed into any regular Troop.

The Foot designed to cross the Forth, were Regimented under these Colonels,

being Six Regiments in all.

The First the Earl of Strathmore's; but he and his Lieutenant-Colonel Walkinshaw of Barrowsield were forced back in their Passage by the King's Men of War, with several others, and obliged to go on Shore in the Isle of May. This Regiment was not in Highland-Dress, as E 4

the others were. This Lord was a hearty Friend of the Pretender's, and had, fome time before this Rebellion broke out, given it under his Hand that he would be ready the first Opportunity to rise and assist to establish him upon the Throne. This Paper which was signed by several others, was lodged in the Hands of Colonel Hookes, to be by him transported into France.

The Second Regiment was the Earl of Mar's.

The Third, I'm uncertain whose.

The Fourth the Lord Nairn's, Brother to the Duke of Athol; but by marrying an Heirefs, according to the Custom of Scotland, changed his own Name for hers: He came over the Firth with a good many of his Men. He is a Gentleman well beloved in his Country, and by all that had the Advantage to be acquainted with him: He had formerly been at Sea, and gave fignal Instances of his Bravery: He was a mighty Stickler against the Union. His Son, who was Lieutenant-Colonel to Lord Charles. took a great deal of Pains to encourage the Highlanders, by his own Experience, in their hard Marches, and always went with them on Foot thro' the worst and deepest Ways, and in Highland-Dress, The

The Fifth Regiment was commanded by Lord Charles Murray, a younger Son of the Duke of Athol's: He had been a Cornet of Horse beyond Sea, and had gained a mighty good Character for his Bravery, even Temper, and graceful Deportment. Upon all the Marches, he could never be prevailed with to ride, but kept at the Head of his Regiment on Foot, in his Highland-Dress without Breeches: He would scarce accept of a Horse to cross the Rivers, which his Men, in that Season of the Year, forded above Mid-Thigh deep in Water. This powerfully gained him the Affection of his Men; besides his Courage and Behaviour at a Barrier, where His Majesty's Forces made a bold Attack, was fingularly brave. When the Rebels furrender'd at Preston, he was made a Prifoner, and Try'd for a Deferter, being a Half-pay Officer, found Guilty, and condemned to be shot; but he pleaded that he had given his Commission into the Hands of a Relation before he entred the Rebellion: This, tho' he could not bring any Proof of at that time, yet with his Friends Interest, and HisMajesty's gracious Reprieve, makes him yet enjoy his Life. When he was fensible that he was to die, being removed to the House of Mr. Wingilby,

gilby, with the other Half-pay Officers, he kept a true Decorum suitable to the Nobleness of his Mind, and the Bravery of his Soul, and not unsuitable to the Circumstance he was in.

The Sixth Regiment was called Macintosh's Battalion, a Relation of the Brigadier's, who is Chief of that Clan. This
Regiment came intire over the Forth:
He is a Gentleman that few People expected in the Rebellion, having always
appeared on the other side, but the Persuasions of the Brigadier prevailed with
him. He is a handsome, brave young
Gentleman, of a very considerable Interest
in his own Country; for he can bring
into the Field upon any Occasion a 1000
stout, hardy, and well-armed Men.

Besides these Six Regiments (a List of whose Officers are hereafter inserted) there was a considerable Number called The Gentlemen Voluntiers, commanded by Captain Skeen and Captain Mac-Lean, Lieutenant David Stewart, and Ensign John Dunbar, formerly an Exciseman.

The English were not altogether so well regulated nor so well armed as the Scots.

The Troops were thefe.

First, the Earl of Derwentwater's, commanded by his Brother Charles Radoliffe Esq; and Captain John Shaftoe. That Earl Earl being a Papist, and a Relation of the Pretender's, having it seems had the Opportunity of being personally acquainted with him, all these Circumstances unhappily concurr'd to draw him into this Snare, to his Destruction, and the utter Ruin of the most flourishing Family in

that part of Britain.

It was thought however that this Lord did not join either so heartily or so premeditately in this Affair as was expected; for there is no doubt but he might have brought far greater Numbers of Men into the Field than he did; the great Estate he possessed, the Money he could command, his Interest among the Gentlemen, and, which was above all, his being fo well beloved as he was, could not have fail'd to have procur'd him many Hundreds of Followers more than he had, if he had thought fit; for his Concerns in the Lead-Mines in Alstone-Moor are very considerable, where several Hundreds of Men are employ'd under him, and get their Bread from him, whom there is no doubt he might easily have engaged: Besides this, the sweetness of his Temper and Disposition, in which he had few Equals, had fo fecured him the Affection of all his Tenants, Neighbours, and Dependants, that Multitudes would have

have liv'd and dy'd with him: The Truth is he was a Man form'd by Nature to be generally beloved; for he was of so universal a Beneficence, that he feem'd to live for others. As he lived among his own People, there he fpent his Estate, and continually did Offices of Kindness and Good-neighourhood to every body, as Opportunity offer'd. He kept a House of generous Hospitality and noble Entertainment, which few in that Country do, and none come up to. He was very Charitable to poor and diffressed Families on all Occasions, whether known to him or not, and whether Papist or Protestant. His Fate will be sensibly felt by a great many who had no Kindness for the Cause he died in, and who heartily wish he had not forwarded his Ruin, and their Lofs, by his Indifcretion in joining in this Mad as well as Wicked Undertaking. If the Warrant from the Secretary's Office for apprehending him had been made a greater Secret than it was, he might have been taken, and fo his Ruin have been prevented. His Brother is Young and Bold, but too forward: He has a great deal of Courage, which wants a few more Years and a better Cause to improve it; there is room to hope he will never employ it in fuch an Adventure again.

The Second Troop was the Lord Widrington's, commanded by Mr. Thomas Errington of Beaufront. This Lord's Family has been famous in former Days for many Noble Atchievements recorded in History; the there is but a small part of that left in this Lord, for I could never discover any thing like Boldness or Bravery in him, especially after his Majesty's Forces came before Preston: But of this Mr. Errington that commandhereafter. ed his Lordship's Troop, is a Gentleman of a very ancient Family in Northumberland: He has very good Natural Parts, and had been formerly an Officer in the French Service, where he had got the Reputation of a good Soldier. It is believed he would not have engaged in this Rebellion, had not the many Obligations he lay under to the Earl of Derwentwater prevailed with him.

The Third Troop was commanded by Captain John Hunter, born upon the River North-Tyne in the County of Northumberland: He had obtained a Commission in the latter end of Queen Anne's Reign to raise an Independent Company, but never received any Pay, nor listed any Men, but when he made use of that Commission now in the Rebellion. He was famous for Running Uncustomed Goods

Goods out of Scotland into England. He behav'd with great Vigour and Obstinacy in the Action at Preston, where he took Possession of some Houses during the Attack, and galled that brave Regiment of Brigadier Preston's, making a great Slaughter out of the Windows: He has since made his Escape out of Chester-Castle, and, as is said, got over into Ireland, and from thence to France.

The Fourth Troop was commanded by Robert Douglass, Brother to the Laird of Finland in Scotland: He fignalized himself upon several Accounts, for going fo often, fo privately, and expeditiously betwixt England and the Earl of Mar. He was the Man who brought Mr. Forfter his Commission, and the Manisesto's and Declarations of the Pretender. He was indefatigable in fearthing for Arms and Horses, a Trade, some were pleased to fay, he had follow'd out of the Rebellion as well as in it. He was also very Vigorous in the Action at Preston; where he with his Men were possessed of several Houses, and did a great deal of Harm to His Majesty's Forces from the Windows. He also made his Escape when a Prisoner either at Leverpool or Chester.

The Fifth Troop was commanded by Captain Nicholas Wogan, an Irish Gentle-

man, but descended from an ancient Family of that Name in Wales; he joined the Rebels at their first Meeting. He is a Gentleman of a most generous Mind, and a great deal of Bravery, unwearied to forward the good of his Cause: His Bravery was made known by feveral In-stances in the Action at Preston, his Generofity as well as Courage was most remarkable in bringing off Prifoner Captain Preston of Preston's Regiment of Foot, who was mortally wounded through the Body by a Bullet from the Rebels, and just at the point of being cut in pieces; he hazarded his Life among his own Men, if possible to fave that Gentleman, tho' an Enemy, and was wounded in doing it: He took also a great deal of Care of him after he had brought him off; for which it is hoped he has obtain'd His Majesty's Pardon. Captain Preston himself having, before he died, openly acknowledged the Gallantry and Generofity of the Action, and made it his earnest Request that Mr. Wogan should be civilly used, for his kind Behaviour to him. Befides these Troops, there were a great many Gentlemen Voluntiers that were not formed into any Troop. It is likewise to be observed, as is noted before, that these Troops were

all Double-Officer'd, to oblige the feveral

Gentlemen that were among them.

Having thus given an Account of their Troops and Foot Regiments, which might then amount to 1400, I shall give a farther Account of their Marches, and what happened in the Way, till I bring them to the Place of Action. Having continued in Kelso so long as they did, which was from Saturday the 22d to Thursday the 27th of October, it gave General Carpenter, who, as is faid, was fent down to pursue them, the Advantage of Time to advance by the easier Marches, and to observe their Motions: That General, with the Forces under his Command, viz. Hotham's Regiment of Foot, Cobham's, Molesworth's, and Churchill's Dragoons, had march'd from Newcastle, and lay now at Wooller the 27th, intending to face Kelfo the next Day; of which Lord Kenmure, who, as I faid, commanded the Troops while on the Scots-side of Tweed, having notice called a Council of War, wherein it was feriously considered what Course they should take. And here again my Lord Wintoun, as is observ'd already, pres'd them earnestly to march away into the West of Scotland; but the English oppofed, and prevailed against that wifer Opinion:

nion: Then it was proposed to pass the Tweed and attack the King's Troops, taking the Advantage of the Weakness and Weariness of General Carpenter's Men, who were indeed extremely fatigued, and were not above 1000 Men in Number, whereof two Regiments of Dragoons were new Raised, and had never seen any Service. This also was Soldier-like Advise, and which, if they had agreed to, in all Probability they might have worsted them, confidering how they were fatigued, and not half the Number the Rebels were. But there was a Fate attended all their Councils, for they could never agree to any one thing that tended to their Advantage. This Defign failing, they decamped from Kelso, and taking a little to the Right, marched to Jedburgh. Upon this March they were all alarmed, by mistaking a Party of their own Men for fome of General Carpenter's Forces: The Particulars whereof was thus; a Party of their own Men appearing at a Distance, Captain Nicholas Wogan being desirous to know who they were, went off towards the River's fide which parted them, and left one to fland at a convenient Distance from him, whilft he rid up to make a Discovery; if they proved Enemies, he was to fire a Pistol, if Friends, he was to tofs

toss up his Hat. Just at the same time, some of these suspected Enemies wanting to know who he was, gallopping towards him, he mistook them and fired a Pistol; fo the Alarm was taken, but the Diforder was not great, the Matter being foon discovered. Then they continued their March to Jedburgh: The Horse having entred that Town, word was brought them again, That General Carpenter had fallen upon the Foot, who had not as yet reach'd the Town. This put them into the utmost Consternation: However, not being discouraged so as to abandon their Fellows, they all mounted their Horses, and marched out to relieve their Friends. This Mistake also was occasioned by another Party of their own Men, who had taken a different Rout: And this being likewise discovered, they returned all to their Quarters, according to the Scots Proverb, Worse frighted than burt. They stay'd in this Town till Saturday the 29th. And here it being apparent that an Opportunity offering to get the start of General Carpenter, who would be three Days March behind, and the English Gentlemen earnestly pressing, it was resolved, in an ill Hour for them, to cross the Mountains and march for England: Accordingly Captain Hunter, who

who was well acquainted with the Country, was order'd with his Troop to go into North-Tynedale, and there provide Quarters for them who would follow. But here began a Mutiny, the Highlanders could not be perfuaded to cross the Borders; and tho' many Perfuasions were used with them, would not stir a foot: Hereupon the first Resolution was altered, and Orders were fent after Captain Hunter to countermand him. In this Town the Magistrates had Orders to furnish the Highlanders with a quantity of Oatmeal; which they did, by obliging every Housekeeper to pay a certain Quantity, according to his Ability. They were joined in this Town by Mr. Ainsley of Combill, with fome others. From hence they marched to Hawick, a small, poor Market-Town belonging to the Dutchess of Buckelugh, at whose House the English Lords, with their Relations, and Mr. Forster, took up their Quarters. Upon this March to Hawick, the Highlanders, supposing still that the March for England was refolv'd on, were difgusted, separated themselves and went to the top of a rifing Ground, there rested their Arms, and declared that they would fight if they would lead them on to the Enemy, but they would not go to England; F 2 adhering

adhering to the Lord Wintoun's Advice. That they would go through the West of Scotland, join the Clans there, and either cross the Forth some Miles above Sterling, or fend word to the Earl of Mar that they would fall upon the Duke of Argyle's Rear, whilst he fell on his Front, his Number being then very While this Humour lafted among them, they would allow none to come and fpeak with them but the Earl of Wintoun, who had tutor'd them in this Project; affuring them, that if they went for England, they would be all cut in pieces, or taken and fold for Slaves; one part of which has proved too true. This Breach held a great while; however, at last they were brought to this, tho' not 'till after two Hours Debate, that they would keep together as long as they stay'd in Scotland; but upon any Motion of going for England, they would return back: So they continued their March to Hawick, where they were fore straitned for Quarters. Here the Highlanders, for they always had the Guard, and did all the Duty after they join'd the the Horse, discovered from their advanc'd Guards a Party of Horse, who were Patroling in their Front; took them for Enemies, and gave the Alarm at Midnight; fo all run immediately to Arms: The

The Moon gave light, and the Night proved very clear; so the whole Body formed themselves in very good Order to oppose any Attack that should be made. But in the end this proved another false Alarm; fo they all returned to their Quarters. I have heard that this Alarm was defigned to try the Highlanders, and to fee how they would behave, and whether they would stand chearfully to their Arms if an Enemy appear'd. Next Morning being Sunday, they made their March to Langholme, another small Market-Town belonging to the Dutchess of Bucklugh: From hence there was a strong Detachment of Horse sent in the Night for Achilfichan, with Orders to go and block up Dumfries, till they would come up and attack it. This Town of Dumfries is a very rich Place, and fituate very commodiously upon the Mouth of a navigable River on the Irish Sea, and maintaines a confiderable Trade with England and the West of Scotland; and had they been settled in their Resolution, they might very eafily have made themselves Masters of that Town, there being no Regular Forces in it, but some Trainbands, Militia, and Townsmen, which would not have been able to hold out, nor any Fortifications to have affifted them F 3

them in the Defence of it. Here also they might have furnished themselves with Arms, Money, and Ammunition, which were much wanted, and open'd a Paffage to Glasgow, one of the best Towns in Scotland, or for England also, if they thought fit. Here also they might have joined the Highland Clans from the West, besides a great many Country Gentlemen, who, on fuch an Appearance, would have come in to them; fo that they might foon have formed a confiderable Army: Also here they might have receiv'd Succours from France and from Ireland, no Men of War being in all those Seas at that time. In a word, nothing could be a greater Token of a compleat Infatuation, that Heaven confounded all their Devices, and that their Destruction was to be of their own working, than their omitting fuch an Opportunity of fixing themselves past the Possibility of being attack'd. They were also assured that in this City there were a great many Arms in the Tolbooth ready for all Occasions, in good Order, and a good Quantity of Gunpowder up in the Tron Steeple; all which would have been their own. That as to the Duke of Argyle, he was in no Condition to have hurt them; but, on the contrary, would scarce have thought

thought himself fafe in Sterling, his Troops being not above 2000 Men; for he had not been then reinforced by the Forces from Ireland, nor the Dutch from England. But all these Arguments were in vain, the English Gentlemen were positive for an Attempt upon their own Country, pretending to have Letters from their Friends in Lancashire inviting them thither, and affuring them that there would be a general Infurrection upon their appearing; that 20000 Men would immediately join them; and promifing them Mountains which they were to perform by Mole-hills. Whether they had receiv'd any fuch Expresses or no, is to this Day a Question; but they affirm'd it to their Army, and urged the Advantages of a speedy March into England with fuch Vehemence that they turn'd the Scale, and fent an Express after the Party of Horse they had ordered to Achilfichan, for them to return and meet them at Langtoun in Cumberland. So the Defign of continuing in Scotland was quitted. But the Highlanders, whether dealt with underhand by the Earl of Wintoun, or whether being convinced of the Advantages they were going to throw away, and the Uncertainties they were bringing upon them, halted a fecond time, and would FA

would march no farther. It is true, they did again prevail with their Leaders to march, making great Promifes, and giving Money to the Men: But many of the Men were still positive, and that to fuch an Extremity, that they separated, and about 500 of them went off in a Body, chusing rather, as they faid, to furrender themselves Prisoners, than to go forward to certain Destruction. All imaginable Means were used to have prevented this Defertion, but nothing could prevail on these Men to alter their Refolutions, neither fair Promises, nor any Arguments; fo they went their ways in Parties over the tops of the Mountains; the Earl of Wintoun went off likewise with a good part of his Troop, being very much diffatisfy'd at the Measures. and declaring that they were taking the way to ruin themselves: However, in a little time he return'd and join'd the Body, tho' not at all fatisfied with their Proceedings. They left the small Pieces of Cannon which they had brought from Kelfo at Langholm, having nailed them up and made them unfit for Service; then they marched for that Night to Longtoun, which is within feven Miles of Carlifle, and was a very long and fatiguing March. Here they had Intelligence that

that Brigadier Stanwix, with a Party of Horse from Carlifle, had been there that Day to get Intelligence of their Numbers and Motions; but that upon notice of their coming towards him, he had retired to his Garrison, which then consisted of but a very few Men. This Night the Party ordered to Achilfichan, returned and join'd us, fore fatigued with their long and difmal March. Next Day they entred England, and marched to Brampton, a small Market-Town, and the first they came to on the English fide, belonging to the Earl of Carlifle. Here nothing happened but proclaiming the Pretender. and taking up the Publick Money, viz. the Excise upon Malt and Ale. Here Mr. Forster opened his Commission to act as General in England, which had been brought him from the Earl of Mar by Mr. Douglass aforenam'd: And from this Day the Highlanders had Sixpence a Head per Day payed them to keep them in good Order and under Command. Here also Mr. Forster and Lord Kenmure had the following Letters fent them from the Earl of Mar, dated at Perth, October The Duplicates of these Letters were, it seems, intercepted, being those which came by Land, and were made publick by the Government; but these being being brought by Sea, and landed near Blith, came fafe to their Hands.

My Lord,

Long extremely to hear from you. you may befure, fince I have not " had the least Accounts almost of your " Motions fince I fent the Detachment " over. I hope all is pretty right again, " but it was an unlucky Mistake in Bri-" gadier Metosb, in marching from Had-" dingtoun to Leith. I cannot but fay "though, that it was odd your Lord-" fhip fent no Orders or Intelligence to " him, when you had Reason to expect " that Party's coming over every Day. " His Retreat he made from Leith, and " now from Seatoun, with the help " of the Movement I made from this, " makes some Amends for that Mistake; " and I hope that Party of Men with " him will be of great Use to you and " the Cause. I wish you may find a " Way of fending the Inclosed to Mr. " Forrester, which I leave open for your " Lordship to read; and I have little " further to fay to you, than what you " will find in it. I know fo little of the " Situation of your Affairs, that I must " leave to your felf what is fit for you to do, as will most conduce to the " Service,

" Service, and I know you will take

" good Advice. " My humble Service to all Friends " with you, particularly Brigadier Me-" tofb, Lord Nairn, Lord Charles Mur-" ray and Metosh, who, I hope, are join-" ed you long e're now; and indeed they " all deserve Praise for their gallant Be-" haviour. I must not forget Kinackin, " who, I hear, spoke so resolutely to the " Duke of Argyle from the Citadel; and " I hope Inercall, and all my Men with " him, are well; and their Country-" men long to be at them, which I hope "they and we all shall soon. I have " fent another Copy of the Inclosed to " Mr. Forrester by Sea, so it will be hard

" Mr. Forrester by Sea, so it will be hard if none of them come to his Hands.
" I know your Lordship will endea-

" vour to let me hear from you as foon as possible, which I long impatiently

" for; and I hope you will find a Way of " fending it safe. In one of my former,

" either to your Lordship, or to some

" body to shew you, I told that a part of the Army would be about Dum-

" bartoun; but now I beg you would

" not rely upon that, for, till I hear from General Gordon, I am uncertain

" if they hold that Way. I have fent

" your Lorship a Copy of my New Com" mission,

" mission, which perhaps you have not

" feen before. I have named the Gene-

" ral Officers, and your Lordship has the

" Rank of Brigadier of the Horse.

" I am told the Earl Wintoun has been

" very useful to our Men we sent over.

"I suppose he is now with your Lord-

" ship, and I beg you may make my "Compliment to his Lordship, and I

" hope the King will foon thank him

" himself.

" I will trouble your Lordship no fur-

"ther now, but all Success attend you,

" and may we foon have a merry Meet-

" ing. I'am, with all Refpect,

My Lord,

Your most obedient and most humble Servant,

MAR.

From the Camp at Perth, October 21. 1715.

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Sir,

"I Wrote to you of the 17th from Auchterarder, which I hope you got.

got. I marched the same Night, the " Horse to Dumblaine, within four Miles " of Sterling, and the Foot some Miles " fhort of that Place. Next Morning I " had certain Intelligence of the Duke " of Argyle's returning from Edinburgh " with most of the Troops he had carried "there, and was on their March towards Sterling: I also had an Account " of Evan's Regiment landed in the West of Scotland from Ireland, and were on their Way to Sterling. I had come " away from Perth before our Provisions " were ready to go with us, and I found " all the Country about Sterling, where " we were to pass Forth, was entirely ex-" haufted by the Enemy, fo there was no-" thing for us to fubfift on there. I had " no Account from General Gordon, as I " expected, and the foonest I could ex-" pect him at the Heads of Forth, was " two Days after that, and I could not " think of passing Forth till I was joined " by him. Under these Difficulties, and " having got one of the things I defigned " by my March, the Duke of Argyle's " withdrawing from our Friends in Lothi-" an, I thought it fit to march back to " Auchterarder, which was a better " Quarter, tho' not a good one neither. "Next Morning I got Intelligence of " the Duke of Argyle's being come to " Sterling the Night before, and that he " had fent Express upon Express to Evan's " Dragoons to haften up. I had a Let-" ter also, that Morning, from General " Gordon, telling me that fome things " had kept him up longer than he ex-" pected; that it would be that Day e're " he could be at Inverary; and that he " could not possibly join me this Week: " Upon this I thought it better to return " here, which is a good Quarter, and " wait his coming up, and the Lord " Seaforth's, than continue at Auchterar-" der, fince it would not a bit retard " my paffing the Forth when I should be " in a Condition to do it; and in the " mean Time I could be getting Provisi-" ons ready to carry along with me in " my March, which, as I have told, are " absolutely necessary about the Heads of " Forth: So I came Home last Night. " I very much regret my being oblig'd " to this, for many Reasons, particularly because of its keeping me so much the " longer from joining you; but you easi-" ly fee it was not in my Power to " lielp it. However, I hope my Stay " here shall be very short, and you may " depend upon its being no longer than " it necessarily must. The Passage over

the Forth is now fo extremely difficult. " that it's scarce possible to send any Let-" ters that Way; and within these two " Days there were Two Boats coming " over with Letters to me, that were fo " hard purfued, that they were obliged " to throw the Letters into the Sea: " fo that I know very little of our Friends " on that fide, and less of you, which is " no small Loss to me. I heard to Day. " by Word of Mouth, that the Detach-" ment I fent over are marched and join-" ed our Friends in the South of Scot-" land, so I hope they may be yet use-" ful, but I hope you know more of them "than I do. I have now writ to Lord "Kenmure, but it is ten to one if it " comes to his Hands. I know not what " he is doing, where he is, or what Way " he intends to dispose of his People; " whether he is to march into England, " or towards Sterling, to wait my passing " Forth; and in the Ignorance I am " in of your Affairs befouth the River, " I scarce know what to advise him. If " you be in need of his Affiftance in Eng-" land, I doubt not but you have called " him there; but if not, certainly his being in the Rear of the Enemy, when " I pass Forth, or now that the Duke of " Argyle is reinforced, should he march " towards

" towards me before I am, it would be " of great Service. I am forced in a great " measure to leave it to himself, to do as

" he finds most expedient.

" I am afraid the Duke of Ormond is " not as yet come to England, else I should " have had the Certainty of it, one way " or other, before now. I cannot con-" ceive what detains him nor the King " from coming here. However I am " fure it is none of their Fault; and I " hope they will both furprize us agree-

" able very foon. " I believe I told you in my last, of " the Lord Strathmore and 200 of the " Detachment that were going over Forth, " and drove into the Island of May by " three Men of War, who being got fafe " ashore on this Side, are now joined us " again. There were but Two of all " the Boats taken; and I hear, some of " the Men that were in them, who were " made Prisoners in Leith, were reliev'd " by our Men, when they came there, " but that their Officers were fent to " Edinburgh-Castle; so I want some Re-" prizals for them, which I hope to " have e're long.

" Tho' Metosh Brigadier's Mistake in " going to Leith was like to be unlucky " to us and them, yet it has given the

"Duke of Argyle no little Trouble; and our March obliging him to let them flip, has, I am apt to believe, vex'd

" him.
" I beg you will find fome Way to let
" me hear from you. Ever fince my
" Detachments were in Fyfe, all the Men
" of War that cruifed on the North
" Coast, betwixt Peterbead and the Firth,
" have been in the Firth, and, I believe,
" will continue there, to prevent my
" sending more over that Way: So all
" that Coast is clear, which I wish to
" God the King knew; and you may
" easily send a Boat here any-where,
" with Letters from England. I hear
" there is one of the Regiments of Foot

" from Ireland come to Sterling.
"When you write to me, if by Sea,

" pray fend me fome News-Papers, that "I may know what the World is a do-

"ing, for we know little of it here these eight Days. Success attend you; and

" I am, with all Truth and Esteem,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble Servant,

MAR.

Directed thus,
To Mr. Forrester with the King's Forces
in Northumberland.

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They halted one Night at Brampton, to refresh the Men after their hard Marches, having march'd above 100 Miles in five Days. The next Day they advanced towards Penrith: They expected to have met with some Friends here to join them; for it was reported that Mr. Dacre of Abbeylanner-Coast, a Papist, had promised to raise 40 Men; but he was taken with a fortunate Fever, which hindred him of his Defign, and prevented him and his Family from Ruin. they drew near Penrith, they had notice that the Sheriff, with the Posse Comitatus, were got together, with the Lord Lonfdale and the Bishop of Carlille, to the the Number of 14000 Men, who refolv'd to stand and oppose their penetrating farther into England. The first part of this was very true, viz. that the Posse was drawn together, nor was their Number much less. But they gave the Rebel Army no occasion to try whether they would stand or no; for as soon as a Party, who they fent but for Discovery, had seen fome of our Men coming out of a Lane by the fide of a Wood, and draw up upon a Common or Moor in Order, and then advance, and that they had carried an Account of this to their Main Body, they broke up their Camp in the utmost Confusion,

Confusion, shifting every one for themfelves as well as they could, as is generally the Case of an arm'd, but undisciplin'd Multitude.

Altho' their coming together was very little to the Purpose, yet, as the Rebels were greatly animated by their fudden and diforderly seperating over the whole Country, the Horse, who were very near them, made fome Booty among them, taking feveral Horfes, and a great many The whole Body of the Rebels being now come up, made a Halt upon the Moor near the Town, and drew up in Order of Battle, that they might enter the Town in a good Figure. Here Mr. Patten, being acquainted with the Country, and having formerly been Curate of that Town, was order'd out with a Party of Horse to intercept the Bishop of Carlifle, of whom it feems they had some Intelligence: But Mr. Forster, upon other Information, fent an Express after him, and countermanded that Order, and directed him to march forwards quite through the Town of Penrith to Emont-Bridge, and there he had Orders to befet a House where he was told he should find his Brother-in-Law Mr. Fohnston Collector of the Salt-Tax, whom he was ordered to make Prisoner, and to bring G 2

him with his Books, Papers, and what Money he had belonging to the Government to the Army: But Mr. Johnston gave them the flip, and had made his Escape before Mr. Patten came up with his Party. However, Mr. Patten, upon this little Expedition, took feveral of the Posse Comitatus above-named Prisoners, and committed them to the Guard, taking their Arms from them. Of all this Number of People, which, as is faid, were got together upon the Moor by Penrith, there were none received any hurt, but one Man that was shot thro' the Arm; for Orders were given not to fire upon them unless they resisted, which they were wifer than to do In this Town, which is the richest and most plentiful of any in that part of the County, they refreshed themselves very comfortably; tho' the Inhabitants cannot charge them with any Rudeness, Violence, or Plunder in the least. The Pretender was proclaimed, and the Excise and other publick Money was taken up, as had been the Usage all along. There was one Offington that performed both these Offices whilst in England; and what Money he receiv'd he paid to Mr. William Tunstall, who was constituted their Pay-Master While they continued here, General.

they began to look into the Country a little, as well for their Friends as to furnish themselves with Arms and Horses; for of the latter they were in great Want: And first, there was a Party fent to Lowther-Hall the Seat of the Viscount Lonfdale, to fee for his Lordship, if he could have been found, and to fearch for Arms, but they found neither. They stay'd all Night at the House, where, to do them Justice, they behav'd very civilly, tho' it was otherwise reported; particularly I have heard it was complained of, that the Rebels were rude in defacing some Statues. and spoiling the Gardens and Trees; but nothing is more false, for they were commanded by Colonel Oxburgh an old Soldier, and a Man whose generous Temper would not allow him to do any thing fo base. Having stay'd at Penrith that Night, and, as is faid, refresh'd themselves very well, the next Day they march'd for Appleby. It is to be observ'd that there were none of any Account had yet joined them in this March; for all the Papists on that fide the Country were fecured before-hand in the Castle of Carlifle, to their great good Fortune. Now instead of increasing, there Number decreased; for Mr. Aynsly who joined them at Jedburgh, not liking the Prospect of their Affairs.

Affairs, nor their Management, deferted them and feveral with him. Here Mr. Patten was in great Danger of being taken by the Sheriff of the County; and had he stay'd a Quarter of an Hour longer than he did, he had certainly fallen into their Hands; for being merry with fome Acquaintance who stopp'd him some time after his Rebel Friends were march'd, the Sheriff who had got notice of him, spar'd no Diligence to have taken him, came a little too late. Being come to Appleby the 3d of November, they halted again, and stay'd there till the 5th. This is an ancient Corporation, and the Head Town of the County of Westmorland: The Affizes are held here. It was formerly a famous Roman Station. Here, during their stay, nothing material happened but as usual, proclaiming the Pretender, and taking up the Publick Money. Here taking Possession of the Church, Mr. Patten had Orders to read Prayers, if the Parson or Curate refused; but they were not very backward as to the thing it felf, tho' they thought it their fafest way modeftly to excuse themselves, testifying however their Satisfaction, in giving Orders for the Bells to ring, and having all things made ready for the Service; nor did the Parson and his Curate scruple

to grace the Affembly with their Prefence, or to join in the Prayers for the Pretender; which encouraged the Highlanders to believe the High-Church Party were entirely theirs, and would join in a little time. Whilst here, they made Mr. Thomas Wyburgh, a Captain of the Train-bands, a Prisoner, and carried him with fome others, fuspected as Spyes, to Preston, and there they continued as such till His Majesty's Forces set them at Liberty. On the 5th they fet out for Kendale, a Town of very good Trade. Here they remain'd all Night, and next Morning, being Sunday the 6th, they fet forward for Kirbylonsdale a small Market-Town in Westmorland. This Days March was fhort; fo they came early to their Quarters, and had time to proclaim the Pretender, and in the Afternoon to go to Church, where Mr. Patten read Prayers, the Parson of the Place absconding. There was one Mr. Guin, who went into the Churches in their Way, and scratched out his Majesty King George's Name, and placed the Pretender's fo nicely, that it resembled Print very much, and the Alteration could scarce be perceived. In all the March to this Town, which is the last in Westmorland, there were none joined them but one Mr. John Dalfton, and

and another Gentleman from Richmond, tho' we had now march'd through two very populous Counties; but here Friends began to appear, for some Lancashire Papifts with their Servants came and join'd them, and marched in the Lines with them. Next Day, being the 7th of November, they marched to Lancaster, a Town of very good Trade, very pleafantly feated, and which, had they thought fit to have held it, might easily have been made strong enough to have made a Stand for them; and having an old Caftle for their Arms, Stores, and Provisions, and a Sea-Port to have received Succours, it might have been very useful to them; but our Infatuations were not yet over.

In the March from Kendall to Lancaster, the whole Army drew up upon a
Hill, and lay some time upon their Arms,
to rest the Men. During which time,
Mr. Charles Widdrington, second Brother
to the Lord Widdrington, came from Lancashire, whither he was sent some Days
before the Rebels advanc'd, to acquaint
the Gentlemen of that County with their
marching that Way; he returned with
the News of their Cheerfulness and Intention to join them with all their Interest, and that the Pretender was that
Day proclaimed at Manchester, where the
Town's-

Town's-People had got Arms to furnish a Troop of Fifty Men at their fole Charge, besides other Voluntiers. This rouzed the Spirits of the Highlanders, and animated them exceedingly; nor was it more than needed, for they had often complained before, that all the Pretences of Numbers to join, were come to little, and that they should soon be furrounded by numerous Forces. But on this News they pluck'd up their Hearts, gave three Huzza's, and then continued their March into Lancaster. Colonel Chartres, and another Officer who was then in the Town, would have blown up the Bridge which leads into the Town, to hinder us from entring; but the People of the Town shewed their Unwillingness, and especially because, as they said, it would no-wife hinder our Entrance into the Place, feeing the River at Low-Water was passable by Foot or Horse, and that we could eafily find Boats to pass into the Town; so that as it would be a vast Charge to rebuild the Bridge so strong and fine as before, so it would be a Loss to no manner of End. Then these two Gentlemen finding a Quantity of Powder in some Merchants Hands, order'd it to be thrown into a Draw-Well in the Market-Place, left it should fall in-

to our Hands. After all this, at last we entred the Town without Opposition in very good Order, and march'd to the Market-Place, where the whole Body was drawn up round the Cross, and there with found of Trumpet proclaimed the Pretender: Then the Men were billeted and quartered in every part of the Town, which was very well able to entertain them all. The same Night a Party of Horse were sent to Colonel Chartres's House, which is a few Miles from Lancaster, belonging to a fine Estate which he has lately purchased there. They did no Harm to the House, nor to any thing about it, tho' it was reported, and that prefently by himself, to ingratiate himself with the Government, that they committed feveral Diforders, to the Owner's great Lofs. But he could never make out the Loss; nor was there any Truth in the Charge, for they behaved very civilly, only made free with a few Bottles of his Wine and strong Beer. On the other hand, if these Men had not been sent thither, but that the Scots had been allow'd to pay their Countryman's House a Visit, they would not have scrupled to have fet it on fire, so well is he respected by them; and that not on account of his Affection or Dissaffection to the one side

or other, but on Account of his own Personal Character, which is known not to have been very acceptable to those who are acquainted with him. They continued at Lancaster from Monday the 7th to Wednesday the 9th, during which time they feized fome new Arms which were in the Custom-House, and some Claret, and a good quantity of Brandy, which was all given to the Highlanders to oblige them: They likewise took up all the Money belonging to the Revenue, which was either in the Excise-Office or Custom-House, also in the Harbour, and which belong'd to Mr. Heysbam a Merchant of London, and Member of Parliament. They found fix Pieces of Cannon, which they feized, and mounted upon new Carriages, and carried them with them to Preston, of which hereafter. During their stay at Lancaster, they had Prayers read in this Church by Mr. Patten, the Parson of the Place excusing himself. It seems he was not fo averse to it any more than some of his Brethren; but he wanted to fee how the Scales would turn, before he could think of venturing fo far. From this Town Mr. Buxton, a Clergyman, was fent off with Letters to some Gentlemen in Derbyshire, where his Acquaintance lay

lay. It was a lucky Errand for him, for by that means he had the good fortune to escape being taken at Preston. He was a well-bred and good-humour'd Gentlebut his Constitution could not bear the Hardships of such an Undertaking as this, especially of the long Marches in that Season of the Year; he went to his own Country and there fell ill of the Small-pox; but hearing that narrow Search was made for him, he was obliged to remove, even in that Condition, and has not been fince heard of. As the old Saying goes, Uno avulso non deficet alter: So it was here, for that very Day Mr. Buxton went from Lancaster, the unhappy Mr. Paul came thither: He came boldly up to Mr. Forster, as he was at Dinner with Mr. Patten at the Recorder of Lancaster's House. He entred the Room in a blue Coat, with a long Wig and a Sword, and Mr. John Cotton of Cambridgeshire with him. They let him know who they were, and in a flourishing way made a tender of their Services for the Cause; which Mr. Forster accepting, they withdrew; then Mr. Forster told Mr. Patten that the taller of the two Gentlemen was a Clergyman, and was of St. John's College in Cambridge, and that he had given him a perfect Account of General

General Carpenter's Marches, and that he was then at Barnard's-Castle in the Bishoprick of Durham, that his Men and Horses were sore fatigued, and the like: All which was true enough, tho' their being fo fatigued did not hinder their March after us. While we were in this Town our Number encreased considerably; and had we flay'd here, or kept a Garrison here, they would have continued fo to do. For in that time a great many Lancashire Gentlemen joined us, with their Servants and Friends. It's true. they were most of them Papists, which made the Scots Gentlemen and the Highlanders mighty uneafy, very much fufpecting the Cause; for they expected all the High-Church Party to have joined them. Indeed, that Party, who are never right Hearty for the Cause, 'till they are Mellow, as they call it, over a Bottle or two, began now to shew us their blind fide; and that it is their just Character, that they do not care for venturing their Carcasses any farther than the Tavern: there indeed, with their High-Church. and Ormond, they would make Men believe, who do not know them, that they would encounter the greatest Oppofition in the World; but after having confulted their Pillows, and the Fume a little a little evaporated, it is to be observed of them, that they generally become mighty Tame, and are apt to Look before they Leap, and with the Snail, if you touch their Houses, they hide their Heads, shrink back, and pull in their Horns. I have heard Mr. Forster say he was blustered into this Business by such People as these, but that for the time to come he would never again believe a drunken

Tory.

Having now received what addition of Force they could expect in that part of the Country: And having first discharged some Prisoners of their Friends who were in the Castle, particularly the famous Tom Syddal, a Mob Captain, who was in this Goal for the Riot at Manchester, when the Meeting-House was pull'd down, it was time now to advance and open the Way for their other Friends to come in; for as they had News daily of Troops gathering to oppose them, it was time to extend themselves, that they might join all those who had promised their Assistance. To this End they moved from Lancaster, taking the Road to Preston, and designing to possess themselves of Warrington-Bridge, and of the Town of Manchester, where they had Assurances of great Numbers to join them ;

them; and by this means they made no doubt of fecuring the great and rich Town of Leverpool, which would be cut off from any Relief, if they were once posses'd of Warrington-Bridge. According to these Measures the Horse reach'd Preston that Night: The Day proving Rainy, and the Ways Deep, they left the Foot at a small Market-Town called Garstang, half-way betwixt Lancaster and Preston, with Orders to advance early next Morning to Preston, which they did accordingly. The Horse, as is said, entred Preston that Night, and found that two Troops of Stanhope's Dragoons, formerly quartered there, had removed upon their Approach. This encouraged them exceedingly, and made them imagine that the King's Forces would not look them in the Face. The Foot coming up the next Day, being Thursday the 10th of November, they marched straight to the Cross, and were there drawn up as ufual, whilft the Pretender was proclaimed. Here they were also joined by a great many Gentlemen, with their Tenants, Servants, and Attendants, and some of very good Figure in the Country; but still all Papists. They once resolved to have marched out of Preston, and Order was given to get ready on the Friday; but that

that Order was countermanded, and they resolved to continue till the next Day, and then to advance. All this while they had not the least Intimation of the Forces that were preparing to oppose them, much less of the near Approach of the King's Army: And as it is a Question often asked, and which very few can answer, viz. How they came to be fo utterly void of Intelligence at that time, as to be fo ignorant of the March of the King's Forces, and to know nothing of them 'till they were within fight of Preston, and ready almost to fall upon them? It may be very proper to give a plain and direct Answer to it, which will in short be this, viz. That in all their Marches Mr. Forster spared neither Pains nor Cost to be acquainted with all General Carpenter's Motions, of which he had constant and particular Accounts every Day, and fometimes twice a Day; but the Lancasbire Gentlemen gave him fuch Affurances that no Force could come near them by Forty Miles but they could inform him thereof, this made him perfectly eafy on that fide, relying entirely on the Intelligence he expected from them: And therefore, when on the Saturday Morning he had given Orders for his whole Army to march from Preston towards Manchester, it was extremely

tremely furprizing and he could scarce credit the Reports that General Wills was advancing from Wigan to attack them: But he was foon fatisfied of the Truth of it by Messengers on all hands. That Morning Mr. Paul the Clergyman went off with Letters, as he then said, to a noble Lord in Staffordsbire, and some Friends in Leicestersbire: He met General Wills and his Troops on the Road, who stopped him, and asked him fome Questions; but not fuspecting he was one of the Rebels, he himself also putting on a contrary Face, let him go: But I shall have occasion to fay more of him. The Alarm being now given, a Body of the Rebels marched out of the Town as far as Ribble-Bridge, posting themselves there, and Mr. Forster, with a Party of Horse, went beyond it to get a certain Account of Things; when discovering the Vantguard of the Dragoons, he returned another Way, not coming back by the Bridge. He ordered Mr. Patten with all haste to ride back, and give an Account of the Approach of the King's Army, and to give Orders to prepare to receive them, whilft he went to view a Ford in the River, in order for a Passage to come behind them. The Foot that were advanced to the Bridge were about an 100;

but they were choice, stout, and well-armed Men, and commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel John Farquharson of Innercall, belonging to Macintosb's Battalion: He was a good Officer and a very bold Man, and would have defended that important Pass of the Bridge to the last Drop, and till the rest had advanced and drawn themselves out of the Town; but he was order'd to retreat to Preston: This Retreat was another wrong step, and has been condemned on all hands as one of the greatest Oversights they could be guilty of for the River is not fordable but a good Way above and below the Bridge, which they might have made impaffable also, by several Methods pra-ctised on like Occasions. As for the Bridge, they might have barricado'd it fo well, that it would have been impracticable to have pass'd there, or to have dislodged them from it; also they had Cannon, which General Wills wanted: And here alone indeed it might be faid they were in Condition to have made an effectual stand; for here the King's Forces would have been entirely exposed to their Fire, having no Cover; whereas the Rebels could have very much fecured themselves against the other's Fire, by the Bridge, and by the Rising-Ground near it. General Wills

Wills did indeed expect some Difficulty and Opposition at this Place, believing, by their Situation, that the Rebels would have made their greatest Effort at that Place; but understanding by his Advance-Guard that the Rebels had abandon'd that Post, he was furprized, and suspected that then they had some Stratagem in hand, and perhaps had lined the Hedges, and fo made the Lane unpassable for his The Lane is indeed very deep, and so narrow that in several Places two Men cannot ride a-breaft. This is that famous Lane, at the end of which Oliver Cromwell met with a flout Refistance from the King's Forces, who from the Height rolled down upon him and his Men (when they had entred the Lane) huge large Mill-stones; and if Oliver himself had not forced his Horse to jump into a Quick-Sand, he had luckily ended his Days there. General Wills, on these Suppositions, proceeded with Caution, and caused the Hedges and Fields to be view'd, and the Ways laid open for his Cavalry to enter; but finding the Hedges also clear, he concluded then the Enemy was fled, and expected that they had abandon'd the Town and all, and would endeavour by their long Marches to return to Scotland, tho'he thought it impossible for them to do it: But he H 2

he was foon inform'd that they were retreated to the Town only, and that they resolv'd to receive him there with a resolute Countenance; so he had nothing to do but to prepare for the Attack, which he went about immediately. Having advanced nearer the Town, he ordered his Troops to pass at a Gate which leads into the Fields which lie on the back of the Town, and immediately spreading the Enclosures with the utmost Expedition and Diligence, so disposed of his Forces as best to be able both to attack them in the Town, and to prevent them from

Sallying or making a Retreat.

During this time, the Rebels were not idle in the Town, nor did they appear in the least discouraged, but applied themselves resolutely to their Business, barricadoing the Streets, and posting their Men in the Streets, bye-Lanes, and Houses, to the greatest Advantage for all Events. The Gentlemen-Voluntiers were drawn up in the Church-yard, under the Command of the Earl of Derwentwater. Viscount Kenmure, Earls of Wintoun and Nithsdale. The Earl of Derwentwater fignally behav'd, having stripp'd into his Wastcoat, and encouraged the Men, by giving them Money to cast up Trenches, and animating them to a vigorous Defence

of them: When he had so done, he order'd Mr. Patten to bring him constantly an Account from all the Attacks how Things went, and where Succours were wanted; which Mr. Patten did till his Horse was shot under him. The Rebels formed four main Barriers; one a little below the Church. commanded by Brigadier Macintofh; the Gentlemen in the Church-yard were to fupport that Barrier in particular, and Lord Charles Murray that which was at the end of a Lane leading to the Fields: The third Barrier was called the Windmill; this was commanded by Colonel Macintosh: And the fourth was in the Street which leads towards Lever pool, commanded by Major Miller and Mr. Douglass. The three former were all attack'd with great Fury by His Majesty's Forces: The first Attack was made upon that Barrier below the Church, commanded by Brigadier Macintofh; but they met with fuch a Reception, and fo terrible a Fire was made upon them, as well from the Barricado as from the Houses on both fides, that they were obliged to retreat back to the Entrance of the Town. During the Heat of this Action, some of Preston's Officers being inform'd that the Street leading to Wigan was not barricado'd, and that the Houses were not posfess'd H 2

fess'd on that side, they presently entred that Street with great Bravery, pushing all before them. Preston's Regiment of Foot were commanded upon this Service. supported by Honnywood's Dragoons. is true, the Rebels had at first taken Posfession of that Street, and posted Men in the Houses on both sides; but were, against their Inclination, called off to other nor were they left, as fome desir'd, to post themselves at the extremest Ends of the Town, even at that End which leads to the Bridge, where the first and hottest Attack was made. Several Houses were left, particularly one which belonged to Sir Henry Haughton: Captain Innis with Fifty Highlanders had taken Possession of this House; and had he been allowed to have continued there, he would have given a good Account of it; but he being obliged to leave that Post, some of Preston's Men got Possession of that too, tho' it cost them dear, for many of their Men were kill'd there from other Houses. It is a high House, overlooking the whole Town: There was also another House opposite to it, which they entred, and posted several of their Men in it. And from these two Houses came almost all the Loss the Rebels sustained during the Action. Mr. Forster cannot

cannot be blamed for this Overfight, but it must be charged upon the Brigadier, who, when the Regiment of Preston's Foot made this brave and bold Attack and Attempt, withdrew his Men from those The Attack was thus, Preston's Houses. Men, led by their Lieutenant-Colonel the Lord Forrester, did not come up the Head of the Street, but marched into a straight Passage behind the Houses, and then made a Halt till their Lieutenant-Colonel the Lord Forrester came into the open Street with his drawn Sword in his Hand, and faced Macintofb's Barrier, looking up the Street and down the Street, and viewed how they were posted. There were many Shots fired at him, but he returned to his Men, and came up again at the Head of them into the middle of the Street, where he caused some to face the Barricade where the Brigadier was posted, and ply them with their Shot, at the same time commanding another Party to march cross the Streets, to take Posfession of those Houses. It was a very desperate Attempt, and shews him an Officer of an undaunted Courage. Whilft this was doing, the Rebels from the Barrier, and from the Houses on both sides, made a terrible Fire upon them, and a great many of that old and gallant Regi-H 4 ment

ment were killed and wounded: The Lord Forrester received several Wounds himself. Besides the Damage they received on that fide, they were fore galled from fome Windows below them, by Captain Douglass and Captain Hunter's Men. Preston's Foot fired smartly upon the Rebels, but did little Execution, the Men being generally cover'd from the Shot, and delivering their own Shot fecurely, and with good Aim; yet fome were kill'd, and fome also wounded. particularly two very gallant Gentlemen were wounded here, and both dy'd of their Wounds; the one was Captain Peter Farquharson of Rochley, a Gentleman of an invincible Spirit, and almost inimitable Bravery. This Gentleman being shot through the Bone of the Leg, endured a great deal of Torture in the Operation of the Surgeon: When he was first brought into the Inn called the White Bull. the House where all the wounded Men were carried to be dress'd, he took a Glass of Brandy, and said, Come, Lads, here is our Master's Health; tho' I can do no more, I wish you good Success. His Leg was cut off by an unskilful Butcher, rather than a Surgeon, and he presently died. The other Gentleman was Mr. Clifton, Brother to Sir Jervas Clifton: He

He was also a gallant and throughly accomplish'd Gentleman: He received a Shot in the Knee, of which he died some Hours after. There was another Gentleman called Colonel Brereton, who died also of his Wounds.

The next Barrier which was attack'd, was commanded by Lord Charles Murray: He behav'd very gallantly, but being very vigorously attack'd, wanted Men, and order'd Mr. Patten to acquaint the Earl of Derwentwater therewith, who immediately fent back Mr. Patten with Fifty Gentlemen-Voluntiers from the Churchyard to reinforce him, who came in very good Seafon. Immediately Mr. Patten was ordered over the Barrier to view the King's Forces, who appearing in a Clergyman's Habit, was not fuspected, nor fired on: He soon returned back, and gave Lord Charles an Account, that by what he faw, they were resolved to attack him again; whereupon Lord Charles gave Orders to his Men to be ready to receive them; and accordingly they came on very furiously: And the' the King's Forces that made this Attack, were, for the most part, raw, new-listed Men, and feemed unwilling to fight, yet the Bravery and good Conduct of experienced Officers, supply'd very much that Defect. However.

However, Lord Charles Murray maintain'd the Post, and obliged them to retreat with Loss; nor, had they been all old Soldiers, could they have beaten Lord Charles from that Barrier, which was very ftrong; the Number they had flain from the Barn-holes and Barrier it felf added very much; fo that at last the Officers themselves thought fit to give it over. And however some, in their Dying Speeches afterwards, were pleafed to leffen the Bravery of the King's Forces; this may be offer'd in Answer, That notwithstanding the Aspersion, we all know that he that publickly difplay'd it, could not be a Judge of the Fact; for no body ever faw him at any Post of Danger himself. the contrary, the Author hereof, who was an Eye-witness to the three Attacks, can affure the World he faw that Gentleman who left that Afperfion in his Dying Speech, placed very securely out of all Danger in an Ale-house, where he was affured he remain'd during the whole Action.

Hitherto the Rebels seem'd to have had some Advantage, having repulsed the King's Forces in all their Attacks, and maintained all their Posts; and Night drawing on, no new Action happened, but during all this time, and all Satur-

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day Night and Sunday, and good part of that Night the King's Forces kept inceffant Platoons firing upon the Rebels from Sir Henry Haughton's and Mr. Ayre's Its true they killed but very few; those of Note, were one Mr. Hume a Cornet, one Mr. Scattery, and a Highland Gentleman belonging to the Lord Nairn. There were feveral Houses and Barns fet on Fire by both Parties, both for covering themselves among the Smoak. and dislodging Men; so that if the Wind had blown almost from any Quarter. that Town had been burnt to the Ground. and the Rebels had been burnt to Ashes in it. I shall, as I design impartially, hint at all the Mistakes on both sides: and this was one, the King's General had ordered Illuminations to be fet in all the Windows of the Houses where they had Possession, which as long as they continued burning, exposed the Rebels that were croffing the Streets upon all occafions, to the plain View of those possessed of the Houses aforesaid, and gave them a This was good Aim at their Mark. the Occasion of the Death of some, and Wounds of others, even on both fides, fo that after a little time Orders were given for some to go to all the Houses, and call aloud to the People to put put out their Candles; which being shoutted aloud, as is said, in the Streets, for the People had shut all their Doors, they mistook the Command, and instead of putting out or extinguishing their Lights, set up more; which amused both sides, but did no Harm on one side or other.

The third Attack was at the Windmill. in the Street which leads to Lancafter, where the Barrier was defended by near 300 Men, under the Command of Mr. Macintolb, who with his Men behaved very boldly, and made a dreadful Fire upon the King's Forces, killing many on the spot, and obliging them make a Retreat; which however they did very handsomely. This was owing to the common Men, who were but new-lifted; tho' the Officers and old Soldiers behav'd themselves with great Bravery. this, the Rebels began to fee their Error, by being imposed upon to give Credit to the many Falshoods told them, of which this was one, that they might be affur'd that the King's Forces would all come over to them; yet not one Man offer'd to do fo: Nay, Major Preston and Captain Ogleby, as well as feveral common Soldiers that were made Prisoners being wounded, affured us, that not one Man belonging to the King's Forces but would die

die in their Country's Cause, and told us we could not be able to hold out, for that more Forces were also coming from all Quarters; they inform'd us of the Arrival of General Carpenter with three Regiments of Dragoons to surround us: They also described the Dispositions he had taken, and the Alterations he had made in the Posts to prevent our Escape.

And now our People began to open their Eyes, and to see that there was nothing but present Death before them if they held out longer, and that there was no Remedy, but, if possible, to make Terms, and get a Capitulation for Life and lay down their Arms: But of this, it is necessary that a gradual Account be given in the Order in which it happen'd, for it was not all done in a Moment.

General Carpenter, I say, was now arriv'd with Churchill's and Molesworth's Dragoons, and a great many Gentlemen of the Country with him, as the Earl of Carlisle, Lord Lumley, Colonel Darcy,

and others.

The General having an Account from General Wills of what had pass'd, approved very well of what had been done, but found it necessary to make some small Alterations in the Dispositions of the Troops: He found three Attacks had been

been made, tho' not with the desir'd Success, and yet that the Rebels would be forced to surrender at last, or be taken, Sword in Hand.

Here it is necessary to observe, as part of the Reason why the first Attack was not immediately fuccessful, viz. because of the Barricadoes and Cannon which the Rebels were possessed of. But by the way, I must observe, that the Rebels, tho' they had fix Pieces of Cannon, did not much use them, except at first only; in fhort, they knew not how, having no Engineers among them; and a Seaman who pretended Judgment, and upon his own Offer took the Management of the Cannon at the Brigadier's Barricado, acted fo madly, whether it was that he had too little Judgment, or too much Ale, or perhaps both, that in levelling one of the Pieces to cut off Preston's Foot, who advanc'd to attack us, the Ball brought down the Top of a Chimney. It is true, the next he fired did Execution. and oblig'd the Regiment to Halt; tho' upon all Occasions they behav'd with a great deal of Bravery and Order. But this by the way. Lieutenant-General Carpenter was, as I have faid, now arriv'd, and had view'd the Posts and the Situation of the Rebels, and finding most part

part of the Horse and Dragoons of the King's Troops posted on one side of the Town, very incommodiously on many Accounts, being crouded in a deep narrow Lane near the end of the Town. and besides that, so inconvenient for the Service, that it was impossible to draw up above three or four in the Front; he brought them off in Parties to feveral other Places: Also going to view the Ground towards the River, he found, to his great Surprize, that no Troops were posted at the end of Fishergate-Street, to block up that part of the Town, and that for want of it feveral of the Rebels had escaped there, and more rid off that Way, even before his Face. This Street leads to a Marsh, or Meadow, which runs down to that part of the River Ribble, where there are two good Fords, being the High-way towards Leverpool. At the upper End of this Street there was another Barricade, with two Pieces of Cannon, as is faid already: But no Attack had been made on this fide; nor indeed could it be fo, the few Troops confider'd. Here the Lieutenant-General ordered Colonel Pitt to post his two Squadrons of Horse, and extend themfelves into that Marsh, in order to prevent any more escaping that Way; as it effectually effectually did; for some bold Fellows attempting to escape after this, were all cut to pieces by the Horse: Also the General caused a Communication to be opened thro' the Enclosures on that side, that his Post might be relieved, in case the whole Body should attempt to force their Retreat that Way, as it was given out they would, and as indeed they might have done; but they had no such good

Measures in their Heads.

The Rebels being thus invested on all fides, fo that they found themselves entirely block'd up, and being now fenfible, tho' too late, of their Condition, and also that they were short of Powder for an obstinate Resistance, began to consider what to do. The Highlanders were for fallying out upon the King's Forces, and dying, as they call'd it, like Men of Honour, with their Swords in their Hands; but they were over-ruled, and were not allowed to ftir: Nor was the Motion communicated to the whole Body; but General Forster, prevail'd upon by Lord Widdrington, Colonel Oxburgh, and some few others, refolv'd upon a Capitulation, flattering themselves with obtaining good Terms from the King's Officers. Colonel Oxburgh pretending Acquaintance with some of the Officers, made an Offer

offer to go out and treat of a Surrender. As this was done without the Knowledge of the Rebel Army, the common Soldiers were told that General Wills had fent to offer honourable Terms to them, if they would lay down their Arms; fo blinded were we with their Tory Lyes to the last: But certain it is, that Gentleman, had his Defign been known, had never seen Tyburn, for he had been shot dead by the Consent of all the common Men, before he had gone out of the Barrier. However, go he did, and made fuch a Bargain for them as the Circumstances of Things might easily tell them they could expect no other; but which, had not the Gentlemen thus abandon'd them, the Soldiers would not have yielded to. But be that as it will, he went with the Trumpet to the General, who allowed him to come and go freely, but told him, They might expect no other Terms, than to lay down their Arms, and furrender at Difcretion. The Colonel, to give him his due, urg'd all the Arguments he could for better Terms; but was told, That they must submit to the King's Mercy, there was no other Terms could be made with them. The General told Colonel Oxburgh, He knew that in the cafe of a Rebellion reduced, it was not rational

to expect, or usual to give other Terms. The Colonel coming back with this Anfwer, a fecond Message was sent out by Captain Dalziel, to desire some Time to consider of it. At about three in the Afternoon Colonel Cotton, with a Dragoon, and a Drum beating a Chamade before them, came up the Street from the King's General: The Colonel alighted at the Sign of the Mitre, where the chief of the Rebel Commanders were got together, and told them he came to receive their positive Answer. It was told him There were Disputes betwixt the Englist and the Scots, that would obstruct the yielding, which others were willing to fubmit to; but that if the General would grant them a Ceffation of Arms till the next Morning at Seven, they should be able to fettle the Matter, and that the Gentlemen promised they would then fubmit. Colonel Cotton fent the Drum to beat a Chamade before the Doors of fome Houses where the King's Men continued firing, to cause them to cease, on account of the Ceffation which was agreed to, and to order them to withhold till they had notice from the General; but the poor Fellow was shot dead upon his Horse as he was beating his Drum. It is faid this was not done by the the King's Men; for they must needs know him to be one of their own Drums by his Livery and Mounting, but that it was done by some of the Rebels who were averse to all thoughts of Surrender.

And here, because the Rebels and their Friends have given it out since, that they had such Terms granted them at this short Treaty, which would secure their Lives, and that the Terms of Surrender ought so to be understood; I shall give you a true and faithful Account of the Capitulation it self, with its Circumstances, as it was given upon Oath by General Wills himself at the Lord's Bar, at the Earl of Wintoun's Tryal. The General there declared,

"That having the Honour to com"mand His Majesty's Troops that at"tack'd the Rebels at Preston, he came
before that Town the 12th of No"vember last, about one a Clock, and
"order'd two Attacks upon the Town;
"the Attack which led to Wigan being
"commanded by Brigadier Honywood,
"who beat the Rebels from their first Bar"ricade, and took Possession of some of
the Houses in the Town; the other
"Attack which led to Lancaster, under
"the Command of Brigadier Dormer,
"who

er who lodged his Troops nigh the Bar-" ricade of the Rebels. The next Day " about two a Clock, Mr. Forster sent " out one Mr. Oxburgh an Irishman, of-" ferring to lay down their Arms and " fubinit themselves, and hoped this De-" ponent would recommend them to the "King's Mercy. Which this Deponent " refused, and told him, he would not " treat with Rebels, for that they had " killed feveral of the King's Subjects, " and they must expect to undergo the " fame Fate. That upon this, Oxburgh " faid, That as this Deponent was a Man " of Honour, and an Officer, he would " shew Mercy to People that were wil-" ling to fubmit. Upon this, the Depo-" nent faid, All he would do for them " was, that if they laid down their " Arms, and submitted Prisoners at Dif-" cretion, he would prevent the Soldiers " from cutting them to Pieces, till he " had farther Orders, and that he would give them but an Hour to confider of " it. That he fent Oxburgh back into " the Town to acquaint Forster of it, and before the Hour was expired, they fent out Mr. Dalziel, Brother to the " Earl of Carnwath, who wanted Terms " for the Scots. That this Deponent's An-16 fwer was, That he would not treat with " Rebels.

"Rebels, nor give them any other "Terms than what he had before offered " them. Upon which it was defired that " this Deponent would grant farther Time " till Seven a Clock next Day, to con-" fult the best Method of delivering " themselves up. That this Deponent " agreed to grant them the Time defired, " provided they threw up no new In-" trenchments in the Streets, nor fuffer-" ed any of their People to escape, and " that they fent out the Chief of the Eng-" lish and Scotch as Hostages for the Per-" formance; and this Deponent sent in " Colonel Cotton to bring them out, who " brought out the Earl Derwentwater " and Mr. Macintosh. That the next " Day about Seven a Clock, Mr. Forster " fent out to let this Deponent know " that they were willing to give them-" felves up Prisoners at Discretion, as " he had demanded. That Mr. Mac-" intosh being by when the Message was " brought, said, He could not answer " that the Scotch would furrender in that " manner, for that the Scots were Peo-" ple of desperate Fortunes, and that he " had been a Soldier himself, and knew " what it was to be a Prisoner at Discre-" tion. That upon this, the Deponent " faid, Go back to your People again,

" and I will attack the Town, and the " Consequence will be, I will not spare " one Man of you. That Macintosh went " back, but came running out immedi-" ately again, and faid, That the Lord " Kenmure and the rest of the Noblemen, " with his Brother, would furrender in " like manner with the English. " General Wills farther deposed, That " when the Attack was made by the "King's Forces, between Sixty or Se-" venty Men were killed; and that there " were killed and wounded about 130. " And being asked by the Attorney Ge-" neral, Whether he gave the Rebels any " Encouragement to hope for Mercy? he " again declared, that all the Terms he " gave them, was, That he would fave " their Lives from the Soldiers till far-" ther Orders, if they surrendered at " Discretion: The meaning of which " was, that by the Rules of War, it was " in his Power to cut them all to pieces, " but he would give them their Lives " till farther Order; and if they did not comply, he would renew the Attack, and not spare a Man." This Deposition was confirmed by Colonel Churchill, Colonel Cotton, and Brigadier Munden. Besides this, I can affure the World, that I heard the Answer which Colonel Cot-

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ton, whilft he was at the White Bull, gave to a Gentleman among the Rebels, who asked if they might have Mercy; he told him, Sir, that I cannot assure you of, but I know the King to be a very merciful Prince; and that then he demanded of all the Noblemen and Gentlemen to give their Parole of Honours to perform what

they on their part promised.

Having thus fet this Matter in a fair Light, I shall now give a farther Account of what happened in the Town: The common Men were one and all against Capitulating, and were terribly enrag'd when they were told of it, declaring that they would die fighting; and that when they could defend their Posts no longer, they would force their Way out, and make a Retreat. It is true, that this might have been attempted, and perhaps many would have escaped; but it could not have been performed without the Lofs of a great deal of Blood, and that on both fides; and it was told them that it would be so, and that if they did get out, they would be cut off by the Country People; but their Madness was such, that nothing could quiet them for a great while: And it was aftonishing to see the Confusion the Town was in, threatning one another, nay, killing one another, but for naming a Surrender; one was 14

fhot dead, and feveral wounded. In this Dilemma, many exclaimed against Mr. Forster, and had he appear'd in the Street, he would certainly have been cut to Pieces; but as he did not appear publickly, yet he had been actually kill'd in his Chamber by Mr. Murray, had not I with my Hand struck up the Pistol with which he fired at him, fo that the Bullet went thro' the Wainscot into the Wall the Room. And fince I mention Mr. Forster, I cannot but justify him against the many Aspersions he lies under in this part of the Action, I mean, as a Coward. It must be owned he was no Soldier; nor was the Command given to him as fuch, but as he was the only Protestant who could give credit to their Undertaking, being of Note in Northumberland, of an ancient Family, and having for feveral Years been Member of Parliament for that County, and therefore very Popular: For if the Command had been given to either of the two Lords, their Characters, as Papists, would have discouraged many of the People, and en improved against the Design in general. Matters of Conduct, Mr. Forster, tho' he was called General, yet always submitted to the Council of Colonel Oxburgh, who was formerly a Soldier, and had obtained a great

a great Reputation; tho' it is manifest in our Case, that he either wanted Conduct or Courage, or perhaps both. He was better at his Beads and Prayers, than at his Business as a Soldier, and we all thought him fitter for a Priest than a Field-Officer. It must be owned he was very devout in his Religion, and that is all the Good we can fay of him; and that Devotion he has fince had great Occasion for in another Place. Besides, the Influence of Colonel Oxburgh, my Lord Widdrington had too great Prevalency over Mr. Forster's easy Temper; and this Lord we thought understood so little of the Matter, that he was as unfit for a General as the other; for tho' the Family of Widdrington be famed in History for their Bravery and Loyalty to the English Crown; yet there is little of it left in this Lord, or at least he did not shew it, that ever we could find, unless it consisted in his early Persuasions to surrender; for he was never feen at any Barrier, or in any Action but where there was the least Hazard. He was wonderfully esteemed at Home by all the Gentlemen of the County, and it had been happy for him, and so we thought it had been better for us (the Rebels) had he stay'd at Home. But to return to Mr. Forfter, he shewed

shewed several times forwardness enough for Action, and particularly that he was very far from a Coward, by his riding up to Macintolo's Barrier twice, in the very face of the King's Troops; and when he was exposed to the Shot of those possesfed of the Houses on both sides of the Street, where I heard him command the Brigadier to advance without the Barricado, and make a Sally; which he positively refused. What Reason he gave I know not, Mr. Forster, however, warmly told him, He would have him Tried by a Court-Martial, if he out-liv'd the Service of the Day, and if ever his King came. This occasion'd the Grudge which still continued betwixt them, even in Newgate. The Brigadier has got the Character of Brave and Bold: He has given fignal Instances thereof beyond Seas; but we all must say, we saw very little of it at Preston. Another Scandal upon Mr. Forster, is, That he betray'd them to the King's Troops: And this I must needs observe to be a very evident Slander, and was fet on foot here by a Party, who did not do it so much to injure Mr. Forster, as with another and bafer Defign, viz. that by having this credited, they might blaft the Reputation of the commanding Officers of His Majesty's Troops, and of the

the Troops themselves; also suggesting that if the Rebels had not been fold, the King's Forces could not have reduced them; and also, that if they had not been fure of Forster, they would have given better Terms to them when they did fub-The contrary appears by the Ufage mit. Mr. Forster had receiv'd afterwards when a Prisoner, which tho' it may be said it was good enough for a Rebel, yet will make it evident that he was no way favoured, as shall appear farther hereafter. The fame People who contrived the first Story, have added at last, when he made his Escape, that it was by Concert from the Government; as if the King would agree to fuch a mean Piece of Policy, as rather to wink at his Escape, than to give him a Pardon; a thing which could not lie hid long without being discovered, because several must be concerned, nay, common Servants, Turn-keys, &c. must have their Share in fuch a Defign. After all, if the Truth was known, or when the Truth shall be known, it may perhaps appear that it was contrived and procured by the Tory Party, among whom there were many, doubtless, who were afraid he would fqueak, and make fome concern'd in Contributions, and underhand Affiftances in the Rebellion,

lion, be brought to Justice. I conclude his Case, with saying, that after several Affronts which he receiv'd, and the Calumnies he lies under for submitting, yet we foon found they all came into his Measures, and tamely submitted at Discretion. Thus they were all made Prifoners next Morning at Seven, being the 14th of November, and being Difarmed, were all at once put into the Power of the King's Troops. And here it may not be improper to observe what a fatal Day the 13th of November proved to the Pretender and his Friends; for as Preston was taken, and the Rebels in England furrender'd to the King's Troops in Lancashire, fo the Battle of Dumblain, as it was called here, or of Sheriff-Moor, as in Scotland, was fought and loft in Scotland by the Earl of Mar; and to add to the Remark. in the North of Scotland the Town of Inverness was retaken, by the good Conduct of the Lord Lovat, and the House of Grant, and their Assistants: So that this Day seemed to determin the Fate of the Pretender. But I return to the Account of the Surrender at Preston. Before the appointed Hour came, several of the King's Forces entred that part of the Town which the Rebels held, and began to plunder, looking upon what they got their

their own, by Rule of War. But Complaint being made, they were stopped for fome time. At last the two Generals entred the Town in Form, at the Head of the Troops; one Party under General Wills, entred at that End which leads to Lancaster; Brigadier Honnywood at the Head of the remaining part of the Troops, entred at that End which leads to Manchester. They came in with found of Trumpets and beat of Drums, both Parties meeting at the Market-Place. Here the Highlanders stood drawn up. with their Arms; the Lords, Gentlemen, and Officers were first secured, and placed under a Guard in feveral Rooms in the Inns, where they remain'd fome The Highlanders laid down their Arms in the Place where they flood drawn up, and then were put into the Church under a fufficient Guard. When all was fafe, by the Rebels being thus disarmed and secured, General Carpenter seeing there would not be room enough in the Town for near the Number of Horse which were there, and confidering the three Regiments that came with him had been extremely harrass'd by above a Month's continual long Marches, he, to preferve the Regiments, fent them the same Day to Wigan, there to rest a Day or two, and

and then move on by gentle Marches to their feveral Quarters, leaving the care of the Prisoners to General Wills, who, tho he was not the Commander in Chief. yet as he had been the first Manager of the Work, the General would not take from him any part of the Honour of the Victory, or leffen him upon any Account. It is true, it was the Misfortune of these two brave Generals to differ a little about fome Punctillo's in this Case some time after, and that some would have it to be upon the account of lessening one another in the Affair of Preston; yet I have been informed that Dispute was rather upon fome other account, a former Misunderstanding having been between them when beyond Sea. But to let that fall, as not to our present Purpose, General Carpenter, as I have faid, went off the 15th with the Earl of Carlifle, Lord Lumley, Colonel Darcy, and the rest of the Gentlemen, who having been now with him ten Days, had been very serviceable in procuring constant Intelligence of the Rebels, by the great Interest they have in that Country. The Slain on both sides were in the next Place buried, and then General Wills prepared to march also: Those that were killed or wounded belonging to the King's Forces, were as follow ;

follow; viz. the Wounded, Brigadier Honnywood received a Contusion on the Shoulder by a Musket-shot. Major Bland receiv'd a flight Wound in the Arm: His Horse was shot thro' the Neck: He is a brave and generous Officer, which all the Prisoners that were under his Command must gratefully acknowledge. Lord Forrester, Lieutenant-Colonel of Preston's Regiment, had two or three Wounds: An Officer worthy the Command of good Soldiers. Major Prefton was fhot thro' the Body a little above the Breast, and taken Prisoner by Mr. Wogan: He was a Man of great Gallantry and compos'd Courage, as was vifible by his expoling himself in the Danger and in the Manner he did, for he was fpent in a long languishing Confumption, even to a Skeleton, and told us (the Rebels) That the Wound he received had only shortned his Days two or three Months; which, feeing it was in the Service of his King and Country, he faid he far preferr'd it to the lingring Death he expected. He died in our Hands. Captain Ogleby receiv'd a Wound in his Side; the Bullet was lodged a good way in his Body, wrapt in part of his Scarf: He is a fine Gentleman, of a good Family in Scotland, and Son to the Lord Ogleby. He

He recovered of his Wound. Major Lawson was likewise wounded; and Brigadier Dormer had a Contusion in his Knee. There were other three Captains wounded, two Lieutenants, one Cornet, and four Ensigns. Killed, three Captains and one Ensign. There were a great many private Men of His Majesty's Forces killed; how many it is hard to determine, but the Number has been esteem'd above 200, tho' the publick

Lists fay not fo many.

Of the Rebels, there were 17 killed and 25 wounded, and no more, for they were every-where under Cover. I shall take notice of one that was killed, tho' a Person of no Note, yet he is not to be forgotten, seeing the Bravery of mean Persons ought not to be buried: He was a Lame Man, and had the care of the Gunpowder, which he carried under him on a Horse from one Post to another. He was told that they wanted Powder at Macintosb's Barrier; but if he went, they told him he would certainly be shot. He answer'd, I know I cannot avoid that, if I go; but fince they want, if I cannot carry it quite up to them, I'll carry it as far as I can; and fo fet forwards, and both he and his Horse were shot dead.

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There were taken at Preston seven Lords, besides 1490 others, including the several Gentlemen, Officers, and private Men, and two Clergymen. There was a Popish Priest called Littleton among them, but having a great deal of the Jesuite, he contriv'd a most excellent Disguise; for he put on a blue Apron, went behind an Apothecary's Counter, and passed for an Assistant or Journeyman to the Apothecary, and so took an Opportunity of getting off: He took care of his own Tabernacle, but lest his Waser Gods to be ridicul'd by the Soldiers.

The Names of the Lords, Prisoners, are well known, viz.

James Radcliffe Earl of Derwentwater, Beheaded on Tower-Hill, February 24. 1715-16.

William Widdrington Lord Widdring-

William Maxwell Earl of Nithsdale, made his Escape out of the Tower, February 23. 1715-16.

[These Three were Papists.]

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George Seaton Earl of Wintown, made his Escape also out of the Tower, Aug. 4. 1716.

William Gordon Viscount Kenmure, beheaded with Lord Derwentwater.

William Nairn Lord Nairn.

I shall here add a List of the rest in general, of those who were taken that were of any Note; which I should not do, it being so often published, but that I shall do it in a different manner, adding a short Account of so many as came within my Knowledge, as to their Circumstances, the Posts they bore, and what Kingdom, County, and Religion they were of, and the Fate that follow'd them.

Mr. Thomas Forster jun. of Etherston in the County of Northumberland, Protestant, Member of Parliament for the said County, was made General: Escaped out of Newgate.

Mr. Edward Howard Brother to the Duke of Norfolk, Try'd and Acquitted, Papist.

Mr. Charles

Mr. Charles Radcliffe Brother to the Earl of Derwentwater, Try'd and found Guilty, and afterwards escaped out of Newgate, Papist.

Charles Widdrington Esq; Brother to the Lord Widdrington of Northumberland, Papist, pleaded Guilty.

Per. Widdrington Esq; third Brother to this Lord, and Aid de Camp to General Farster, Papist.

Walter Tankard Brother to Sir — Tankard of Yorkshire, Papist, pleaded Guilty.

John Thornton of Netherwitton in Northumberland; has a good Estate there, pleaded Guilty, Papist.

John Clavering a Papist of Northumber-land.

John Clavering Brother to William Clavering, both Papists in Northumberland.

Nicholas Wogan, Captain, an Irishman, who for his generous Usage to Major Preston whom he made a Prisoner, is in a K 2 fair fair way of being pardon'd, being now removed from Newgate into the Custody of a Messenger: He stood his Tryal, and was brought in Guilty of High-Treason; he is a Papist.

Charles Wogan an Irishman, behav'd very well at Preston; Mr. Forster called him his Aid de Camp: He made his Escape out of Newgate. He was a Papist.

John Talbot of Cartington in Northumberland, a brave young Gentleman; his Father made himself famous for his Courage at the Siege of Buda, but was killed: This Gentleman made his Escape from Chester.

Robert Talbot an Irishman and Papist, formerly an Officer in the French Service; he was accounted a very good Soldier: He was found Guilty of High-Treafou.

Roger Salkeld of Cumberland, a Papist, second Son to Sir Richard Salkeld of Whitehall in the said County: He made his Escape from Chester.

George Collingwood of Northumberland, a Papist, of a valuable Estate: He was ordered ordered for London, but was feiz'd with the Gout at Wigan, and from thence was carried to Leverpool, and there found Guilty, and afterwards executed there the 25th of February. He was a very pious Gentleman, and well beloved in his Country.

John Hunter, a Farmer at Callylee in Northumberland, reputed very Rich; he made his Escape.

Edward Ord.

William Tunstall Pay-Master General and Quarter-Master General, a Yorksbire Man, born to a plentiful Fortune; which failing, his good and agreeable Conversation and Learning, for he made several Copies of Verses after he was a Prisoner, which gain'd Applause from good Judges of Poetry: They shew the Man, tho old, and under Sentence of Death, not to Despond; and it is hoped he will receive His Majesty's Pardon. He is a Papist.

William Shaftoe of Bavington, formerly a Justice of the Peace for the County of Northumberland; has a plentiful Estate:

There he was brought into the Rebellion

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from the Instigation of his Lady, and and Mr. John Shaftoe that was shot at Preston. He was once a Papist, but returned to the Church of England. He is a Gentleman of an easy Temper, and so too easily prevail'd with to join in the I shall add a Story of him Rebellion. when in Newgate with Mr. John Hall afterwards executed, which has fomething diverting in it. He fays feriously to Mr. Hall, Cousin Jack, I am thinking upon what is told us, That God will visit the Sins of the Fathers unto the Third and Fourth Generation: I am of Opinion that it is so with us; for your Grand-father and my Grand-father got most of their Estates as Sequestrators, and now we must lose them again for being Rebels.

John Shaftoe his Son, a Papist.

Edward Shaftoe an old Gray-headed Gentleman, Father to John Shaftoe shot at Presson as an Half-pay Officer. This old Man became an Evidence for the King at Leverpool and London.

John Shaftoe Captain, shot as mentioned before: He was made early acquainted with the Rebellion, and would have saved his Life by Impeaching others, but was

too far from the Court to have his Mind known: This would have been of good Service. He died very Penitent.

Edward Swinbourn and James Swinbourn, both of them Papists, and Brothers to Sir William of Capheaton; both found Guilty.

George Gibson of Stonecroft, Northumberland, a Papist: A Gentleman wellbeloved in his Country.

Edward Byars of Northumberland, belonged to Lord Widdrington's Troop, made his Escape on the Road to London.

Richard Stokoe, formerly in the Scots Gray Regiment of Dragoons, was made a Quarter-master in the Earl of Derwentwater's Troop. He lived in Northumberland; a Protestant.

William Charleton Son to Mr. Charleton of the Bower in Northumberland, lately pardoned by Queen Anne for murdering Mr. Widdrington. His Brother, Edward Charleton, is Doctor of Physick, and lately turned Papist, having married one of that Church.

Richard Chorley of Chorley in Lancashire, a Papist: A Gentleman of singular Piety and Parts, was ordered for London; but falling sick at Wigan was lest behind, and was Try'd at Leverpool, sound Guilty, and was executed at Preston, February 9. 1715.

Charles Chorley Son to Richard Chorley, was a young Gentleman of very good Parts, was try'd at Leverpool, found Guilty; but died in Goal.

Ralph Standish of Standish, a Papist in Lancashire, a Gentleman of a very good Repute; having a plentiful Fortune married into the Duke of Norfolk's Family: He was found Guilty of High-Treason at Westminster.

Sir Francis Anderton of Lostock, a Papist of Lancashire: He has an Estate of 2000 l. per Annum. He was indicted as a Baronet, but he pleaded that false, because his elder Brother, a Popish Priest beyond Sea, was alive. He was afterwards found Guilty, and received Sentence.

Richard Townley of Townley, a Papist in Lancashire; he married Lord Widdrington's Sister. This Gentleman's Servants were found Guilty of High-Treason, for being in the Rebellion with their Master, and some of them afterwards executed in Lancashire; but he was acquitted by the Jury at the Marshalsea.

John Dalton a Papist of Lancashire, of a good Estate, was try'd at the Mar-shalsea and found Guilty.

John Leybourn a Papist, Lancashire.

Gabriel Hesket Father, and Cuthbert Hesket Son, both Papists, Lancashire.

Thomas Walton of Winder, Lancashire, Papist.

Edward Tildesly of the Lodge, a Papist, Lancashire, was acquitted by the Jury at the Marshalsea, tho it was proved he had a Troop, and entred Preston at the Head of it with his Sword drawn. But his Sword had a Silver Handle.

Thomas Errington of Beaufront, a Papist, Northumberland.

Philip Hudson of Sandow, a Papist, Northumberland, by Marriage Uncle to Lord Widdrington.

James Talbot an Irish Papist, made his Escape from Newgate; but a Reward of 500 Pounds being set forth, he was retaken in London.

Alexander Deafines.

Lyonel Walden of Westminster, an Oxford Student.

John Masterson.

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George Sanderson of Highlee, a Papist, Northumberland.

George Budden an Upholsterer of London, made his Escape from Newgate, Protestant.

Robert Cotton a Gentleman of very good Fortune: He is a Nonjuror.

John

John Cotton his Son, both Prote-

Richard Gascoine an Irish Papist, executed at Tyburn.

John Hunter of Northumberland, executed at Leverpool, a Protestant: He was shot thro' the Leg at Presson.

William Hardwick.

Richard Butler of Raclife, Lancashire, a Papist, found Guilty.

Robert Patten one of the Chaplains, Minister of Allandale, Northumberland: he saved his Life by being an Evidence for the King.

William Cafton.

Thomas Liste of Northumberland, Protestant.

Thomas Forster a Relation of Mr. Forster's: He was try'd and found Guilty at Leverpool.

William

William Raine of Newcastle upon Tyne, a Quarter-master.

Thomas Riddle Son to Mr. Riddle of Swinbourn-Castle, Northumberland, a Papist.

Henry Widdrington Quarter-master.

Richard Ord.

William Sanderson of Highlee, Northumberland, a Papist, made his Escape from Chester.

John Towle an Irish Papist.

Edward Mackay.

Henry Oxburgh an Irish Papist, and called Colonel, executed at Tyburn.

William Dobson.

Winger

John Beaumont a Papist and Lieutenant.

John Crofts of Wooler, Northumberland, Adjutant.

Their

Their Followers, or Servants.

Robert Bruse, Val. Urfington. Edward Tinklar. John Atkinson, John Militson, John Patrick, 7. Bywater, Jonnage Aron, Henry Masson, William Smell. John Holt. Andrew Thompson, Fames Shaw, John Burtham. Nicholas Doyle, Thomas Holling. Edward Bullock. Fohn Omfield, Thomas Moore. John Rowland. Nicholas Wilson, Corn. Stewart. Luke Blacket. Thomas Dixon. Oliver Hamilton. William Ansley, Robert Stubs. Henry Rewley,

Fohn Todd, William Stewart, Roger Balfon, John Wilson, Thomas Smith, John Thornton, Fames Robson, William Hardy, Fames Mills, Fohn Brady, Robert Brown, James Wilkinson, John Clarke, Mich. Mosses, Will. Farnmorth, John Farnworth, William Witfon, William Tafh, Andolos Henry Gardiner, John Steele, Ra. Todd, Henry Todd, John Todd, Char. May. Henry Asbley, William Ratcliff. William Wilson, Fohn Thornton William Young, Henry Wilson, Cuthbert Hasket,

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Leonard Ord,
William Scot,
Thomas Fareburn,
James Richmond,
James Asington,
Albert Hacksel,
John Taskar,
Tim. Flanakan,
Char. Bartes,
Ro. Finkle,
James Wilson,
William Todd,
William Read,
R. Wilson.



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IN

SCOTLAND.



HE Earl of Mar, upon the Death of Queen Anne, whose Secretary of State he was, as it is believ'd, had no Rebellious Designs

then in his Head; nor, could he have had his Selfish Views answer'd, would he perhaps ever have embark'd as he did. As may seem by a Letter he sent to His Majesty

King George, with a tender of his Duty, and expressing himself in the most passionate Terms, as a Person sull of Loyalty and Affection to His Person and Government, ready to serve his Interest, and defend His Succession; the Copy of of which it is very necessary to put in the Front of what offers concerning him, and is as follows:

"Having the Happiness to be your Majesty's Subject, and also the Honour of being one of your Servants, as one of your Secretaries of State, I beg leave to kiss your Majesty's Hand, and congratulate your happy Accession to the Throne; which I would have done my self the Honour of doing fooner, had I not hop'd to have had the Honour of doing it personally e're now.

"I am afraid I may have had the Mis-

"fortune of being misrepresented to your "Majesty; and my Reason for thinking fo, is, because I was, I believe, the only one of the late Queen's Servants, who your Ministers here did not visit; which I mentioned to Mr. Harley, and

"the Earl of Clarendon, when they went from hence to wait on your Majesty;

" and your Ministers carrying so to me, " was the Occasion of my receiving such

" Orders as depriv'd me of the Honour

" and Satisfaction of waiting on them,

" and being known to them.

"I suppose I had been misrepresented " to them by fome here, upon Account " of Party, or to ingratiate themselves by " afperfing others, as our Parties here

" too often occasion; but I hope your

" Majesty will be so Just as not to give " Credit to fuch Mifrepresentations.

" The Part I acted in the bringing " about and making of the Union, when " the Succession to the Crown was settled

" for Scotland on your Majesty's Family,

" where I had the Honour to ferve as Se-" cretary of State for that Kingdom,

"doth, I hope, put my Sincerity and

" Faithfulness to your Majesty out of

" Difpute.

" My Family hath had the Honour, " for a great Tract of Years, to be faith-" ful Servants to the Crown, and have " had the Care of the Kings Children " (when Kings of Scotland) intrusted to " them. A Predecessor of mine was ho-" nour'd with the Care of your Majesty's " Grandmother when young; and she " was pleafed afterwards to express some

" Concern for our Family in Letters

" which L 2

" which I still have under her own "Hand.

"I have had the Honour to serve her late Majesty in one Capacity or other

" ever fince her Accession to the Crown.
" I was happy in a good Mistress, and

" fhe was pleased to have some Confidence in me, and Regard for my Services:

" And fince your Majesty's happy Ac" cession to the Crown, I hope you will

" find that I have not been wanting in my Duty in being instrumental in keep-

" ing Things quiet and peaceable in the

" Country to which I belong, and have

" fome Interest in.

"Your Majesty shall ever find me as "faithful and dutiful a Subject and Ser-" vant as ever any of my Family have been to the Crown, or as I have been to my late Mistress the Queen. And I beg your Majesty may be so good not to believe any Misrepresentations of

" me, which nothing but Party Hatred, " and my Zeal for the Interest of the " Crown, doth occasion; and I hope I " may presume to lay Claim to your

" your Royal Favour and Protection.

"As your Accession to the Crown hath been Quiet and Peaceable, may your Majesty's Reign be Long and Pro"sperous: And that your People may foon

" foon have the Happiness and Satisfa-

" ction of your Presence among them, is

" the earnest and fervent Wishes of him,

" who is with the humblest Duty and

" Respect,

SIR,

Your Majesty's most faithful,

most dutiful, and most obedient

Subject and Servant,

MAR.

Now altho', besides this, he had, fome Reasons best known to himself, prevail'd with himself, perhaps against Principle, to take the Oaths to His present Majesty, he took another Liberty afterwards more wicked and equally harden'd (viz.) to forget and cast off the Obligation of those Oaths, and refolve upon Rebellion against that very Prince he had fworn to. In order to this, he concerted Measures with the Jacobites and Papifts to form a Rebellion, and by Force of Arms to make way for the Pretender, as well to bring him in, as to establish him upon the Imperial Throne of these Kingdoms:

doms: In which Concert, he, for his part, took upon him to draw the Chief of the Clans in the Highlands of Scotland to Arms, and with them to enter into open Rebellion. Accordingly, about the Month of August, 1715. he set out for Scotland, where he made, for a Pretence, a great Hunting. This proclaiming a Hunting, is a Custom among the Lords and Chiefs of Families in the Highlands, and on which Occasions they invite their Neighbouring Gentlemen and Vassals to a general Rendezvous, to hunt or chase the · Deer upon the Mountains, of which they have there great Plenty. The Usage on these Occasions, is, that all the People round the Country, being well arm'd, affemble upon the Day appointed; and after the Diversion is over, the Persons of Note are invited to an Entertainment; which the Earl of Mar observed, and having got his Friends together, he made his Intention known to them in a publick Speech full of Invectives against the Protestant Succession in general, and against King GEORGE in particular. It is true, that at first he gained little or no Credit among them, they fulpeding some piece of Policy in him to enfnare them : But fome were weak enough to fuck in the Poison, and particularly some of those who

who were with him at his House, called Brae-Mar. These listening to him, embrac'd his Project, and, as is reported, engaged by Oath to stand by him, and one another, and to bring over their Friends and Dependants to do the like.

The Highlanders in Scotland are, of all Men in the World, the soonest wrought upon to follow their Leaders or Chiefs into the Field, having a wonderful Veneration for their Lords and Chieftains, as they are called there: Nor do these People ever consider the Validity of the engaging Cause, but blindly follow their Chiefs into what Mischief they please, and that with the greatest

Precipitation imaginable.

The Earl of Mar, to gloss his Actions, with a seeming Reslexion as of Sorrow for what was past, told them, That tho' he had been very Instrumental in forwarding the Union of the Two Kingdoms in the late Reign of Queen Anne, yet now his Eyes were open, and he could see his Error, and would therefore do what lay in his Power to make them again a Free People, and that they should enjoy their ancient Liberties, which were by that cursed Union, as he call'd it, delivered up into the Hands of the English, whose Power to enslave them farther was too great, and their

their Defigns to do it daily visible, by the the Measures that were taken, especially by the Prince of Hanover, who, ever fince he had ascended the Throne, regarded not the Welfare of his People, nor their Religion, but folely left it to a Set of Men, who, while they push'd on his particular Interest to secure his Government, made fuch Alterations in Church and State as they thought fit; and that they had already begun to encroach upon the Liberties of both; which, he affured them, had already given Occafion to some to consult their own Safety. and who were actually refolved vigoroufly to defend their Liberties and Properties against the said new Courtiers, and their Innovations, and to establish the Person called the Chevalier St. George, who, he faid, had the only undoubted Right of the Crown upon the Throne of these Realms; which Perfon, he told them, had promifed to hear their Grievances, and would redress their Wrongs. Farther he added, That Thoufands were in League and Covenant with him, and with one another, to Rife and Depose King GEORGE, and establish the faid Chevalier; and that the Duke of Ormand and the Lord Bolingbroke were gone over to France to engage the Regent of France to be aiding and affifting with Men

Men and Money, and that they would not fail, with a good Force, to land, together with the Duke of Berwick to command them, in the West of England.

This, and much more he faid to them with a popular infinuating Air, which presently took with the Unthinking People in the Highlands, who being also perfuaded by fome of their Leading Men. eafily gave Credit to what he faid; when having before obtained the Pretender's Commission to act as Lieutenant-General. immediately took upon him to exercife the Authority of a Military Officer; and accordingly upon the 9th of September, 1715. fet up the Pretender's Standard at a Town called Kirk-Michael, and there proclaimed him King of Scotland, England, France, &c. Having continued here four or five Days, he, with this fmall Beginning, for he had not then above 60 Men with him, marched to Moulin, thence to Logaret, encreasing daily, and being then near 1000 Men; thence he marched to Dunkeld, and was by that time encreased to 2000. With these he set forwards to Perth, having ordered that Town to be feized, as it was by Mr. John Hay, Brother to the Earl of Kinnoul. This was done on the 16th of September, with a Party of about 200

200 Horse: The Earl of Rothes being at the fame time marching with a Body of 500 Men of King George's Friends to have done the same. He stay'd at this Town fome time, expecting the Clans to join him, and fent out Parties to feveral Quarters, to bring in what Ammunition and Arms they could find, and of which they really brought in a great many: Several Pieces of Cannon were also brought hither to him from Dunotter-Castle, and from Dundee: He likewise having Intelligence of a Ship's loading of Arms which lay at Brunt-Island, bound for the North to the Earl of Sutherland, he detached a Party of 800 Men, who went and feized the Vessel, and found therein 306 compleat Stand of Arms, defign'd, as before is faid, for the Earl of Sutherland, who was just then gone to his own Country to raise his Tenants and Vassals for the King's Service, and, if possible, to hinder the Northern Clans from joining the Earl of Mar.

By this time however the Clans began to stir: And first of all, the Laird of Macintosh, Chief of the Name of Macintosh, and who are a considerable and numerous Clan, by the Persuasion of his Kinsman the Brigadier of that Name, commanded his Vassals to attend him to the

And here it is observable, that the these Men were always noted to be on the other side, and were always for the Revolution; yet without examining the Cause, several of them obey'd his Orders, and blindly engaged. The Brigadier placed himself at their Head, formed them into a Regiment, and regulated them very well, being no less than 500 stout Men. Thus they marched with their Chief to Perth, were they found

the Earl of Mar with his Forces.

They were no fooner advanced to that Town, but he fingled them out, and the Brigadier at the Head of them, for that desperate Attempt of passing the Firth of Edinburgh, and landing in Lothian, (of which I have spoken at large.) Accordingly they march'd to the Sea-Coast of Fife, and there, with other five Regiments, viz. Mar's own, Lord Strathmore's, Lord Nairn's, Lord Charles Murray's, and Lord Drummond's; making in all 2500 Men. Having seized all the Boats they could find upon that Coast, they all embark'd. His Majesty's Ships then in the Firth made up to them, as well as the Circumstances would permit, but could not hinder 1500 from croffing, and getting fairly ashore; tho' they fired

hard upon them; (of all which a full Account is already given in the English

Part of the Story.)

I therefore go back to the Earl of Mar's Proceeding: The Account of the taking the Ship with Arms, gave fome Reputation to his Conduct. The Manner was thus; the Arms that were taken, were ordered from Edinburgh-Castle for the Earl of Sutherland, and were shipped off at Leith; but the Master of the Ship calling at Brunt-Island to see his Wife and Family, the Earl of Mar having notice, detach'd from Perth, October 2d, in the Evening, 400 Horse, with as many Foot behind them, who arrived at Brunt-Island about Midnight; and having press'd all the Boats in the River, boarded the Veffel, and feiz'd the Arms. They alfo found about 100 Arms in the Town, and 20 or 30 in another Ship; all which they took and carried off, and fo return'd to Perth undisturbed: For the Duke of Argyle had no notice of them till it was too late; on the contrary, the Duke had notice that the Earl of Mar defigned to be at Aloway, his own House, four Miles from Sterling, with a strong Detachment. Upon which Advice, he order'd out the Picquets of Horse and Foot, and had all the Troops ready to march to fustain them,

them, if there had been occasion; but none of the Rebels appearing, the Picquets returned to the Camp. For indeed this was a false Allarm, defign'd by the Earl of Mar on purpose to amuse the Duke. The Success the Rebels found at Brunt-Island, mightily encouraged them and their Friends: Also in every Place after, they not forgetting to range about the Towns and Coast of Fife in quest of Arms, and in part made themselves Amends for their being disappointed in those they expected from France; which, by the Care of Sir George Bing, were about this time discovered, and by the earnest Application of the Earl of Stair. were stopt at Havre-de-Grace.

The same Day that the Earl of Mar went from Dunkeld to Perth, Mr. James Murray, second Son to the Viscount of Stormount, arrived incognito at Edinburgh from France, by way of England, and crossing the Firth at Newhaven above Leith, got undiscovered into Fife, and so to Perth. His Arrival gave another Occasion of great Rejoycings among the Rebels; for he brought large Promises from the Pretender, and from the Court of St. Germains, and took to himself the

Character of Secretary of State to the Pretender. About this time also, a strong

Party

Party of the Mac-Donald's, Mac-Clean's, and Cameron's in Rebellion, attempted to furprize the Garrison of Inverlochy, and succeeded so far as to take two Redoubts at some Distance, in one of which were an Officer and twenty Men, and in another a Sergeant with sive: But the main Garrison being upon their Guard, the

Rebels marched off to Argyleshire.

Before I proceed any farther in this Part, the Order of Things calls me back to give an Account of a Defign to furprize the Castle of Edinburgh. It was on the 9th of September that the Attempt was made; the Lord Drummond was the Person chiefly concern'd, but it was communicated to feveral others, and there were no less than Ninety choice Men pick'd out for the Enterprize, all Gentle-They had corrupted one Ainefly a Sergeant, who was afterwards hang'd for it; a Corporal, and two Centinels within the Castle: These were to be ready to affift at a certain Place upon the Wall near the Sally-Port; where, having contrived a Scaling-Ladder made of Ropes, and with Pulleys, which being fastened to the top of the Wall by the Conspirators, the Centinel was to draw up with a small Rope provided on Purpose. This Engine was fo contrived,

that it could draw up feveral Men abreaft: All the Joints or Lengths of this Ladder not coming at once, it proved too short in Length for any to get over the Wall. Whilst this was doing, the Officers of the Garrison got Intelligence of the Defign, and having got their Men together filently, they discovered the Ladder, unloofed it at the Top of the Wall, and let it fall, and immediately ordered the Centinel to discharge his Piece. Upon this, the Rounds also fired upon the Gentlemen at the Foot of the Ladder, who immediately dispersed themfelves, four only of their Number being taken. This Project's failing, is attributed to the Gentleman's Neglect in not bringing all the Lengths of the Ladder at once, and the Centinel's fixing of it at a Place some Distance from that first refolved on: For Lieutenant Lindsey going the Rounds, as above, found that the Ladder was actually drawn up, and fixed on the top of the Wall; upon which, he ordered the next Centinel to fire, (as above.) The Conspirators finding the Plot was discovered, fled, as is said; but a Party of the Town-Guard, which, at the Request of the Lord Justice Clerk the Provost had fent out to Patroul with some resolute Voluntiers, coming up, found



found one Mac-Lean, formerly an Officer, fprauling on the Ground, and bruifed with a Fall from the Wall; whom they secured, with Mr. Lefly, Mr. Ram-Sey, and Mr. Bowwell; the last two, Writers; the first, formerly Page to the Dutchess of Gordon. They likewise found the Ladder, and one Dozen of Fire-Locks and Carbines. Each Person conconcerned was to have 100 l. sterling, and a Commission in the Army. The Number of Soldiers engaged in this Confpiracy, were, a Sergeant who was to have a Lieutenant's Place; the Corporal an Enfign's; and one of the Soldiers had eight Guinea's, and the other four. Lord Drummond was to be Governor of the Castle, as being Contriver of the Defign. If this Defign had fucceeded, the Conspirators were to fire three Rounds in the Castle, which was to be a Signal for their Friends.

But to return to the Earl of Mar, who having possessed Perth, and being greatly encouraged by some Proceedings, he ordered the Pretender to be proclaimed there; which was done by Colonel Balfour, and at several other Places, as at Aberdeen; by the Earl of Marshall at Dundee; by one created Viscount of Dundee by the Pretender, at Montrose; by the

Earl of Southesk, at Forress; by Mr.

Cumming, at Alter.

By this time the Earl of Mar also had taken upon him the Title of Lieutenant-General of the Pretender's Forces, and ordered the following Declaration to be published; and also a Letter to the Baily of Kildrummy, as follows.

The Earl of M AR's Declaration.

UR Rightful and Natural King James the Eighth, by the Grace of God, who is now coming to relieve ' us from our Oppressions, having been ' pleased to intrust us with the Direction of his Affairs, and the Command of ' his Forces in this his ancient Kingdom of ' Scotland: And some of his faithful ' Subjects and Servants met at Aboyne, viz. the Lord Huntley, the Lord Tulli-' bardine, the Earl Marischal, the Earl of Southesk, Glingary from the Clans, ' Glenderule from the Earl of Broadalbine, ' and Gentlemen of Anglesbire, Mr. Pa-' trick Lyon of Auchterhouse, the Laird of Auldbair, Lieutenant-General George ' Hamilton, Major-General Gordon, and ' my felf, having taken into Confidera-' tion his Majesty's last and late Orders to us, find, that as this is now the Time that he ordered us to appear openly in M Arms

Arms for him, so it seems to us absolutely necessary for his Majesty's Service, and the relieving our Native Country from all its Hardships, that all his faithful and loving Subjects, and Lovers of their Country, should with all possible Speed put themselves into Arms.

'These are therefore, in his Majesty's 'Name and Authority, and by Virtue of the Power aforesaid, and by the King's special Order to me thereunto, to require and impower you forthwith to raise your Fencible Men, with their best Arms, and you are immediately to march them to join me and some other of the King's Forces at the Invor of Brae-mar, on Monday next, in order

' to proceed on our March to attend the 'King's Standard, with his other Forces.
'The King intending that his Forces

' shall be paid from the Time of their fetting out, he expects, as he positive' ly orders, that they behave themselves

'civilly, and commit no Plundering nor other Disorders, upon the highest Penalties and his Displeasure, which is

' expected you'll see observed.

'Now is the Time for all good Men to shew their Zeal for his Majesty's Service, whose Cause is so deeply concerned, cerned, and the Relief of our native

' Country from Oppression and a foreign 'Yoke, too heavy for us and our Poste-

rity to bear; and to endeavour the re-

ftoring not only our rightful and native

'King, but also our Country to its ancient, free, and independeal Constitution,

under him, whose Ancestors have reign-

' ed over us for so many Generations.

'In so honourable, good, and just a 'Cause, we cannot doubt of the Assistance, Direction, and Blessing of Almighty God, who has so often rescued the Royal Family of Stuart, and our 'Country from sinking under Oppres-

fion.

'Your punctual Observance of these 'Orders is expected: For the doing of all which, this shall be to you, and all 'you employ in the Execution of them, 'a sufficient Warrant.

To the Baily and the rest of the Gentlemen of the Lordship of Kildrummy. Given at Brae-Mar, the 9th of Sept. 1715.

MAR

The Earl of MAR's LETTER to his Baily of Kildrummy.

Invercauld, Sept. 9. at Night, 1715.

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abri inte Y E was in the right not to come with the 100 Men ye fent up to Night, when I expected four times the Number. It is a pretty thing, when all the Highlands of Scotland are now rifing upon their King and Country's Account, as I have Accounts from them fince they were with me, and the Gentlemen of our neighbouring Lowlands expecting us down to join them, that my Men should be only refractory. Is not this the Thing we are now about, which they have been wishing these twenty-six Years? And now, when it is come, and the King and Country's Cause at Stake, will they for ever sit still, and see all perish? 'I have us'd gentle Means too long, ' and fo I shall be forced to put other 'Orders I have in Execution: I have fent you enclosed an Order for the Lordship of Kildrummy, which you are ' immediately to intimate to all my Vaffals; if they give ready Obedience, it will

' will make some Amends; and if not, ye may tell them from me, that it will not be in my Power to fave them (were · I willing) from being treated as Ene-· mies, by those who are ready foon to o join me; and they may depend on it, that I will be the first to propose and order their being fo. Particularly, let my own Tenants in Kildrummy know, that if they come not forth with their best Arms, that I will send a Party immediately to burn what they shall . miss taking from them: And they may believe this not only a Threat, but, by all that's facred, I'll put it in Execution, let my Loss be what it will, that it may be Example to others. You are to tell the Gentlemen that I'll exe pect them in their best Accourrements, on Horseback, and no Excuse to be accepted of. Go about this with all Die ligence, and come yourfelf, and let me know your having done fo. All this is not only as you will be answerable to me, but to your King and Country.

Your assured Friend

Sic Subscribitur.
To John Forbes of
Increrat, Baily
of Kildrummy.

and Servant,

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Upon the News of the Earl of Mar's being thus in Arms, and of the Progress he made, Orders were dispatched immediately to Edinburgh, to secure such suspected Persons as were thought to be capable of Mischief, whose Names are as follow:

The Marquis of Huntley. The Earl of Seaforth. The Earl of Wintown. The Earl of Carnwath. The Earl of Southesk. The Earl of Nithsdale. The Earl of Linlithgow. The Earl of Mar. The Earl of Hume. The Earl of Wigtoun. The Earl of Kinnoul. The Earl of Panmure. The Earl of Marischal. The Earl of Broadalbin. The Lord Viscount of Kenmure. The Lord Viscount of Stormount. The Lord Viscount of Killyth. The Lord Viscount of King ston. The Lord Viscount of Strathallerton. The Lord Ogilvie. The Lord Rollo. The Lord Drummond.

The Lord Nairn.

The Lord Glenorghay.

Sir James Campbel of Ausbirchrech.

Sir Duncan Campbell of Locknell.

Sir Donald Mac-Donald.

Sir Patrick Murray of Auchtertyre.

Sir Hugh Paterson of Bannockburn.

Sir Alex. Ereskine, Lord Lyon.

Sir John Maclean.

Lieut. General George Hamilton.

Master of Stormount.

Master of Nairn.

Master Alexander Mackenzie of Frazerdale.

James Sterling of Keir.

Robert Stuart of Appin.

John Campbell of Actrahalder.

William Murray Younger of Auchtertyre.

Alex. Robinson of Strowan.

Laird of Mackinnan.

William Drummond Servant to Lord Drummond.

Mr. Seaton of Touch.

Lieutenant Allen Cameron.

Rob. Roy alias Mac-Gregor.

Mr. Stewart of Ard.

Master Francis Stewart Brother to the Earl of Murray.

John Cameron of Lochiell.

Laird of Clanronald.

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Laird of Glenghairy.

Laird of Keppach.

Mr. John Fullerton of Greenhall.

Mac-Intosh Younger of Borlam.

James Malcolm.

Mr. Harry Maule Brother to the Earl of Panmure.

Wackinshaw of Barasield.

Colin Campbel of Glenderule.

Graham of Bucklivy.

George Hume of Whitsield.

Master John Drummond Brother to the

Lord Drummond.
Lyon of Aucterhouse.
Colonel Balfour.
Master Balfour.
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At the same time Orders were sent to Major General Wightman, who was then Commander in Chief in Scotland, and was upon the Spot, forthwith to march with all the Regular Troops that could be spared, to form a Camp in the Park of Sterling, to secure the important Pass of Sterling-Bridge over the Forth, and to quarter the Half-pay Officers, in such a manner all over the Country, as that they might be in readiness to Encourage, Exercise, and Command the Militia on any Emergence. Orders were likewise given to all Officers

Officers in the Sea-Port Towns, to have a watchful Eye over all Ships who came into the faid Ports, or appear'd upon the Coast, lest they should land the Pretender, or any others suspected Persons, or bring the Rebels any Supply of Arms, or Ammuni-But notwithstanding these Orders, and that all possible Care was taken in the case, there was a small Ship came to Arbroth, a little Port in the North of Scotland, loaden with Arms and Ammunition, and which had some Gentlemen on Board from France; which Ship was there unloaden by the Highlanders. few Days after, another Ship arrived with feveral Officers, but no Stores of Arms, &c. The faid Officers went directly for Perth to the Earl of Mar, and gave him an Account that the Pretender would be foon in Person amongst them; which News the Earl of Mar caused to be immediately published in his Army, to encourage the Men. And now his Forces being confiderably encreased, he resolved to cross the Forth, if possible, and advance towards Edinburgh. He defign'd this Passage five or six Miles above Sterling, and to make a fwift March, that he might not be prevented by the King's Forces, who were yet but very weak. The Day he appointed was the 18th of October :

Ollober; but upon Intelligence receiv'd that his Plot was discover'd, and a Detachment order'd to wait upon his March, he put it off; and tho' part of his Army was advanc'd some Miles, he return'd back to Perth.

Some few Days before this, the Earl of Mar, refolving to make use of the Advantages he had, by possessing so large an Extent of the Country, thought of raising some Money, and to that End issued out the following Proclamation for an Assessment.

Dursuant and conform to an Order from the Right Honourable John ' Earl of Mar, Commander in Chief of ' his Majesty's Forces in Scotland, dated ' at the Camp at Perth the 4th of October, 1715. These are commanding and requiring every Heretor, Fewer, or Woodsetter now attending the King's ' Standard, or that may be excus'd, or their Factors and Doers in their Abfence, and likewife all Life-Renters; ' do immediately proportion and raise, among their Tenants and Possessors of their respective Estates, and Life-Rent ' Lands, the Sum of Twenty Shillings ferling on each Hundred Pounds of Scots, of Valued Rent: And fuch " Heretors

Heretors who do not immediately, nor

fhall, betwixt the 12th of October Instant, attend the King's Standard, if not excused

by the faid noble Earl, immediately pro-

' portion and raise out of their respective

Estates, the Sum of Forty Shillings

fterling on each Hundred Pounds Scots,

of Valued Rent; which several Proportions, according to their respective Cases

'aforesaid, are, by the said Order, or-

' dain'd to be paid by every Heretor,

Fewer, Wood-seller, and Life-Renter,

to ---- Collector, against the 12th

' Day of this Instant October, at -

Upon this the Duke of Argyle, to prevent as much as possible the Effect of it, made the following Counter-Order.

By John Duke of Argyle, General and Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces in Scotland.

Hereas I am certainly informed, That the Earl of Mar, and the

' other Rebels, have, in Profecution of their Treasonable Practices, adventur'd

to impose a Cess upon some Parts of

the Shires of Fife, Clackmanan, Kinross,

and Perth; and whereas the paying any Money to the Rebels, or comply-

ing with any of their Orders or De-

mands, will infer High-Treason against fuch

' fuch as do the fame, as being Aiders, · Comforters, and Abettors of the Rebels. 'Therefore, and that all well-affected · People may know and prevent their Danger in this Matter, I hereby, in ' His Majesty's Name and Authority, frictly prohibit and discharge all His " Majesty's good Subjects, in the Countries abovementioned, or any otherwhere within Scotland, to give or fur-" nish the Rebels with Money, Provisions, or any other Aid or Affiftance or Comfort whatfoever, directly or indirectly, " under the highest Pains and Punish-" ments of the Law. And this I appoint to be intimated at each Parish-Church-Door after divine Service, and before Diffolution of the Congregation, the Sabbath immediately after this, or a " Copy hereof, comes to your Hand.

Given at Sterling the 25th of October, 1715.

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And another Order for Recruiting His Majesty's Forces, as follows:

By John Duke of Argyle, General and Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces in Scotland.

7 Hereas our gracious Sovereign King GEORGE has been pleafed, for the better suppressing the prefent Rebellion, to order and appoint ' two Companies to be added to each Regiment of Foot now in His Majesty's Service in Scotland, and to appoint each Company to be augmented to the Number of Fifty private Centinels. ' fince it must be evident to all well-affected People, that the strengthning and augmenting the Regular Troops, is the most effectual way for suppressing the Rebellion, and that the same will bring no Charge nor Burthen upon the 'Country; and that the Harvest is over, whereby many People, that were that 'Way employ'd, are now at Liberty. And in regard the Officers of the seve-' ral Regiments are so employ'd in His ' Majesty's Service, that they cannot conveniently attend the Recruiting in this 'Country: I hereby intreat and require 'all well-affected Noblemen, Gentlemen,

" men, Justices of the Peace, Magistrates, ' Ministers of the Gospel, or other well-· affected Subjects, to contribute their best Endeavours to persuade and encou-' rage all the Able-body'd and well-af-· fected Men, in their respective Paro-' chins in Town and Country, within ' Scotland, to Inlift themselves in the re-Regular Forces. And I, in His Ma-' jesty's Name, do promise, that the En-' deavours of fuch as shall be useful in ' this Matter, shall be looked upon as ' good Service, and entitle them to His ' Majesty's Favour and Protection. And ' for the Encouragement of fuch as shall ' Inlift themfelves voluntarily in Com-' pliance herewith, I, in His Majesty's ' Name, promise, that each Voluntier ' fo inlifting and incorporating him-' felf in any of His Majesty's Regiments of Foot now in Scotland, shall not on-' ly receive His Majesty's Bounty-Mo-' ney of Forty Shillings sterling in Hand, ' but shall, at the end of three Months, ' after the present Rebellion is suppres'd, draw and receive his Pass, discharging ' him from the Service, if he require ' the fame; each Man who shall so defire to be discharged, always giving two ' Months Advertisement before drawing ' his Discharge, to the Commanding Officer

' Officer of the Regiment for the Time, to the effect he may provide another ' Man in his room. And I appoint the ' Sheriffs and Stewarts of the feveral Sheriffdoms and Stewartries, and the Magistrates of Royal Burrows, forthwith to dispatch Copies hereof to the Minifters of the several Parochins within their Jurisdiction, as they shall be an-' fwerable at their Peril. And I appoint the fame to be intimate at each Paroch-' Church from the Pulpit, after divine ' Service, and before Dissolution of the ' Congregation, on the Sabbath imme-' diately after this, or a Copy hereof, comes to the respective Ministers Hands; and do recommend to the feveral Mi-' nisters earnestly to exhort the People to their Duty in this Matter, for the ' Service of their King and Country.

> Given at the Camp at Sterling, the 27th of October, 1715.

> > Sign'd,

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A few Days after, the Earl of Mar publish'd the following Counter-Order to that Order.

By John Earl of Mar, General and Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Forces in Scotland.

7Hereas by the Laws of God. the Right of Blood, and the ' ancient Constitution of these Kingdoms, our Sovereign Lord James the Eighth, by the Grace of God, of Scotland, Eng-' land, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. has the only undoubted Title to the Crown of these ' Realms: And whereas his Majesty's Restoration is the only way left to re-' trieve the unhappy Consequences of the ' Union, disburthen the People of the heavy Taxes and Mortgages they now ' groan under, and to prevent our Posterity from being involved in endless Mi-' feries: And whereas many of his Ma-' jefty's loyal Subjects of all Ranks, have dutifully affembled themselves to the ' Royal Standard, in order to restore our ' rightful Sovereign to his Crown, and thefe.

these Kingdoms to their ancient and independant State. And I having feen an Order publish'd by the Commander ' in Chief of the pretended King's Forces in this Kingdom, fetting forth, That ' the Forces under his Command were ' to be augmented, and inviting all Ablebody'd Men to Inlist themselves in that ' Service, and requiring all Noblemen, Gentlemen, Justices of the Peace, Magi-frates, Ministers of the Gospel, and others, to contribute their best Endea-' vours to persuade and encourage Men thereunto. These are therefore, in ' his Majesty's Name, prohibiting and ' discharging all Noblemen, Gentle-' men, Justices of Peace, Magistrates, 'Ministers of the Gospel, and all other Subjects what soever, to pub-' lish, execute, or obey the said Order, and that under the highest · Pain. 'And whereas I have promis'd, in

'And whereas I have promis'd, in his Majesty's Name, Protection to all Ministers who behave themselves dutifully, and do not acknowledge the Elector of Brunswick as King, by praying for him as such in their Churches and Congregations, notwithstanding whereof several of them continue in N that

that Abuse: For preventing whereof, and that they may not, by fo doing, involve and mislead innocent and ignorant People into Traiterous and Seditious Practices: These are therefore expresly prohibiting all Ministers, as well in Churches as in Meeting-Houses, to acknowledge the Elector of Brunswick as King, and that upon their highest Peril: And all Officers Civil and Military are hereby ordered to shut up the Church-Doors, ' where the Ministers act in Contempt hereof, and to apprehend their Perfons, and bring them Prisoners to the ' King's Camp, where-ever it shall be for the Time. And I do, by these Presents, promise Protection to all fuch Ministers as do behave themfelves dutifully towards his Majesty, and I appoint the Sheriffs and Stewarts of the feveral Sheriffdoms and ' Stewartries, and the Magistrates of Royal Burrows, forthwith to dispatch 'Copies thereof to the Ministers of the feveral Paroches within their Jurisdictions, as they shall be answer-' able upon their Peril: And I also appoint the same to be intimate at each Parish-Church, by the Minifter. fter, Precentor, or Reader, before

divine Service, immediately after the Minister enters the Pulpit, on the

Sabbath next after a Copy hereof

comes to their Hands.

Given at the Camp at Perth, the 1st of November, 1715.

Perth, Printed by Mr. Robert Freebairn, 1715.

And thus for a-while the two Generals fought with Pen, Ink, and Paper only: But we shall now come to several Actions of another Nature.

brought to Edinburgh, that a Body of the Western Highland Class, consisting of 2300 Men commanded by General Gordon, came before Inverrary the chief Town in Argyleshire, and having that Night view'd the Place, march'd back to a Mill about half a Mile from the Town, and were soon after reinforced by 300 of the Earl of Broadalbin's Men. The next Day they view'd the Town a second time, and again returned to their former Quarters.

ters. On the 22d they drew up a third time, and sent Detachments to cut Fascines, as if they designed to attack the Town: But finding that the Earl of Ilay, who commanded the Town, was ready to receive them, they thought sit once more to retreat to their Quarters, and on the 24th left the Place, and marched thro' Glenarchy in their way to join the Earl of Mar.

The preserving the Town of Inverrary, was a considerable Piece of Service; for had the Rebels been Masters of that important Pass, they might have pour'd in their Men, either towards Glasgow, or into the Shire of Air, and must have been fought with, perhaps, to Disadvantage, as things then stood, or they would have joined the Rebels in the North of Eng-

land at their Pleafure.

October the 23d, The Duke of Argyle had notice that a Party of the Rebels confifting of 200 Foot and 100 Horfe, were marching by Castle Campbell towards Dumsermling. Upon this Intelligence, his Grace immediately sent off a Detachment of Dragoons, under the Command of Colonel Cathcart, who came up with the Rebels the 24th, at five a-Clock in the Morning; and after having killed and

and wounded several of them, took seventeen Prisoners; amongst them the following Gentlemen:

Mr. Murray Brother to the Laird of Aberkernie.

Mr. Hay Son to Arboth.

Mr. Patrick Gordon, Abertour's eldest Son.

Alexander Forbes Son to Buflie.

William Roberton Brother to Donshills.

Mr. Kenloch a Physician.

Alexander Smith.

Mr. Alexander Gordon.

Francis Gordon of Craig.

Mr. Hamilton of Gibstown in Strabogie.
And.

George Gordon of the Miln of Kincar-

The same Evening Colonel Cathcart returned to the Camp at Sterling with his Prisoners. A few Days after, a Detachment sent by the Earl of Hay into Lorn to intercept about 400 of the Earl of Broadalbin's Men, who were in motion to join the Rebels, being come up with, and having surrounded them, obliged them to seperate and return to their several Habitations.

By this time the Earl of Mar being joined by the Earl of Seaforth, Sir Donald Mac-Donald, and others, with their respective Clans, to the Number of 8000 Men, were preparing to march from Perth, to join General Gordon with the Western Clans at Auchterarder, in order to attempt the croffing the Forth, which was indeed his main Defign. This was the 12th of November. Upon Intelligence of this March, for the Rebels advanc'd from Perth with their whole Army, the Duke of Argyle fent for a Train of Field-Artillery from Edinburgh; and having received all the Reinforcements he expected from Ireland, his Grace refolved not to suffer them to reach the Bank of Forth, but to fight them where-ever he could come up with them. Accordingly he pass'd the Forth at Sterling-Bridge with his whole Army, and advanced towards Dumblain.

This occasioned a general Engagement, or Battle, sought near Dumblain, at a Place called Sheriff-Muir, on Sunday November 13. And for the Reader's better Information, I shall present him with an Account of that Action, as it is related by both Parties; that so, seeing each Party claims the Victory, he may judge whose it was by the Conclusion. The Accounts are thus; the first is that of Colonel

Colonel Harrison, being sent Express to His Majesty by the Duke of Argyle, and who arrived at St. James's Saturday the 19th. The second Account is that of Major General Wightman. The third Account is the Earl of Mar's Letter to Colonel Balfour Governour of Perth. And the fourth Account is the Earl of Mar's printed One.

Colonel Harrison's Account of the Victory.

HE Duke of Argyle being informed on the 12th, that the Rebels had come to Auchterarder with their Baggage, Artillery, and a sufficient quantity of Bread for a March of many Days, found he was obliged either to engage them on the Grounds near Dumblain, or to decamp and wait their coming to the Head of Forth. He chose the first on many Accounts, and amongst others, that the Grounds near Dumblain were much more advantageous for his Horse, than those at the Head of the River; and befides this, by the Frost then beginning, the Forth might become passable in several Places, which the small Number of his Troops did not enable him to guard fufficiently. He likewise received Ad-N 4 vice. vice, that the 12th at Night the Rebels defigned to encamp at Dumblain; upon which, judging it of Importance to prevent them by possessing that Place, he marched the 12th in the Forenoon, and encamped with his Left at Dumblain, and his Right towards the Sheriff-Moor; the Enemy that Night stopped within two Miles of Dumblain. Next Morning his Grace being informed by his advanced Guard that the Rebels were forming, he rode to a Rifing-Ground, where he viewed the Enemy distinctly, and found, as they pointed their March, they designed streight upon our Flank. The Moor to to our Right was the preceding Night unpassable, and guarded us from being flanked on that fide, but by the Frost was become passable. His Grace therefore ordered his Troops to ftretch to the Right in the following Order, three Squadrons of Dragoons upon Right and Left in the Front Line, and fix Battallions of Foot in the Center. The fecond Line was composed of two Battalions, in the Center, one Squadron in the Right, and another on their Left, and one Squadron of Dragoons behind each Wing of Horse in the first Line. As the Right of our Army came over-against the Left of the Rebels, which they had put to a Morass, his Grace finding they were not quite formed, gave Orders immediately to fall on, and charged both their Horse and They received us very briskly; but after some Resistance, were broke through, and were purfued above two Miles by five Squadrons of Dragoons. the Squadron of Voluntiers, and five Battalions of Foot. When we came near the River Allan, by the vast Number of Rebels we drove before us, we concluded it an entire Rout, and refolved to purfue as long as we had Day-light. The pursuing to the River Allan had taken up a long time, by reason of the frequent Attempts they had made to form in different Places, which obliged us as oft to attack and break them. they were in part passed, and others pasfing the Allan, Major General Wightman. who commanded the five Battalions of Foot, fent to acquaint the Duke of Argyle that he could not discover what was become of our Troops on the Left, and that a confiderable Body of the Rebels Horse and Foot stood behind us. Upon that his Grace halted, formed his Troops in order, and marched towards the Hill on which the Rebels had posted themfelves. Thereafter his Grace extended his Right towards Dumblain, to give his Left

Left an Opportunity of joining him. There we continued until it was late. and not finding our Left come up, his Grace marched flowly towards the Ground on which he had formed in the Morning. So foon as it was Dark, the Rebels, who continued undifperfed on the top of the Hill, moved to Ardoch. About an Hour after, our Troops which had been feparated from the Duke of Argyle, joined his Grace. Our Dragoons on the Left, in the beginning of the Action, charged fome of their Horse on the Right, and carried off a Standard; but at the fame time the Rebels preffed fo hard on our Battalions on the Left. that they were disordered, and obliged to fall in amongst the Horse. The Rebels by this means cut off the Communication betwixt our Left and the other Body; and they being informed a Body of the Rebels were endeavouring to get to Sterling, the Troops of our Left retired beyond Dumblain, to possess themfelves of the Passes leading there. We have as yet no certain Account of the Numbers killed, but it's reckoned they may be about 800, amongst whom there are feveral Persons of Distinction. Quality of Prisoners is not yet fully known, only that the Viscount of Strathallan.

thallan; two Colonels, two Lieutenant-Colonels, one Major, nine Captains, befides Subalterns, are brought to Sterling. We have likewife carried off fourteen Colours and Standards, four Pieces of Cannon, Tombrells with Ammunition, and all their Bread-Waggons. This Victory was not obtained without the Loss of some brave Men on our fide; the Earl of Forfar's Wounds are fo many that his Life is despaired of. The Earl of Ilay, who came half an Hour before the Action, received two Wounds, the one in his Arm, and the other in his Side; but the Bullet being cut out of his Side, it is hoped he is past Danger. General Evans received a Cut in the Head. Colonel Hawley was shot through the Body; but there is hopes of his Recovery. Colonel Lawrence is taken. Colonel Hammers. and Captain Armstrong Aid de Camp to the Duke of Argyle, are killed. The Courage of the King's Troops were never keener than on this Occasion; who, tho' the Rebels were three times the Number, yet attacked and purfued them with all the Resolution imaginable. The Conduct and Bravery of the Generals and inferior Officers contributed much to this Success: But above all, the great Example of his Grace the Duke of Argyle, whofe whose Presence not only gave Spirit to the Astion, but gained Success as often as he led on. The Troop of Horse Voluntiers, who consisted of Noblemen and Gentlemen of Distinction, shewed their Quality by the Gallantry of their Behaviour; in a particular manner the Duke of Roxburgh, the Lords Rothes, Haddingtoun, Lauderdale, Loudown, Belhaven, and Sir John Shaw.

A LIST of the Officers and Soldiers killed, wounded, or missing, in the Battle of Sheriff-Moor, of the Troops under the Duke of Argyle.

Of Portmore's Regiment:

CAptain Roberson, and a Quarter-Master wounded: Two Dragoons kill'd, and sour wounded.

Of Evans's Regiment:

Captain Farrer his Thigh-bone broke: Colonel Hawley shot through the Shoulder: A Cornet, and a few private Men kill'd.

Of Lord Forfar's Regiment:

Himself shot in the Knee, and cut in the Head with 10 or 12 Strokes from their Broad Swords after Quarter: Ensign Branch, and eight private Men kill'd.

Of Wightman's Regiment:

Enfign Mark wounded: Two Grena-diers, and two or three Men kill'd.

Of Shannon's Regiment:

Captain Arnot kill'd, and five or fix Men kill'd and wounded. These, with a Squadron of Stair's Dragoons, were the Troops that composed the Right, and beat the Rebels.

On the Left.

Of Morrison's Regiment:

Lieutenant-Colonel Hamar, two Captains, four Lieutenants, and three Enfigns missing; with a good many private Men.

Of Montague's:

Lieutenant-Colonel Laurence, Captain Umbell, Captain Bernard, missing; and a good many private Men kill'd.

Of Clayton's Regiment: Captain Barlow kill'd.

Of the Fuzileers:

Captain Chiefly, Lieutenant Hay and Lieutenant Michelson missing, and said to be taken, and Captain Urquhart, wounded.

Of Egerton's Regiment:

Captain Danoer wounded, and a few private Men kill'd.

A particular LIST of the Names of the Gentlemen Prisoners, brought to the Castle of Sterling, the 14th of November.

Logie Drummond.
Mr. Murray of Auchtertyre.
Mr. Thomas Drummond Brother

to the Viscount of Strathallan.

Mr. Drummond of Drumquhany. Captain William Creighton.

Mr. Fohn Ross Son to the Archbishop of St. Andrews.

Mr. Nairn of Baldwale.

Mr. William Hay.

Fohn Gordon Captain.

William Forbes Lieutenant.

Archibald Fothringhame Lieutenant.

Alex. Garrioch Enfign.

In. Carnagie Chirurgeon.

Nicol. Donaldfon Enfign.

Alex. Steuart of Innerslawie, Forester to the Duke of Athol.

Neil M'Glasson Chamberlain to the Duke of Athol.

Fames Steuart Lieutenant.

William Adamson Lieutenant.

John Robertson Lieutenant. James Gordon Chirurgeon.

David Gardin Gaptain of Panmure's Regiment.

Kenneth Mackenzie Nephew to Sir Alexander Mackenzie of Coull.

Cha. Gardin of Bittistern.

John M'Lean Adjutant to Colonel Mackenzie's Regiment.

Colin

Colin Mackenzie of Kildin, Captain of Fairbonie's Regiment.

Mr. John Rattray.

Mr. Peter Steuart.

Mr. George Taylor.

Duncan M'Intosh.

Fames Peddie.

John Forbes.

Alexander Steuart.

Donald Mitchel.

Francis Finlay.

Mr. James Lyon.

Mr. Auchterlony.

Lewis Cramond.

William Steuart.

George Mear.

Hector M'Lean.

Alexander Mill.

John M'Intofh.

Robert M'Intofb.

Hugh Calder.

Fames Innes.

Donald M'Pherson.

John Morgan.

Donald Robertson.

Robert Menzies.

William Menzies.

John Menzies.

William Menzies.

William Steuart.

Alex. M' Lachlan.

Patrick

Patrick Campbell. Hugh M'Raw. Donald M'Raw. Christopher M'Rae. Fohn Lesley. Fames Edgar. Fames Mill. John Gordon. Donald M'Murrie. Murdoch M'Pherson. Alexander Cameron. Donald M' Nauchtie. Ewan M Lachlan. Ewan M'Donald. Donald Robertson. Fames Keoch. Thomas Robertson. Alexander Morison. Andrew Jamison. Robert Miller. Adam Grinsell. Angus Steuart. John Robertson. John Cattinach.

John Richie Merchant in Edinburgh.

Captain Cha Chalmers late of the

Captain Cha. Chalmers late of the Foot-Guards, one of the Earl of Mar's Majors.

Major-General Wightman's Account of the Battle.

Sterling, Nov. 14th, 1715. at Eleven at Night.

AST Friday I arrived from Edin-burgh, where I had finish'd all the Works and Barricadoes that I had Orders to do for the Security of that Town; and affoon as I came to his Grace the Duke of Argyle, he told me he was glad to fee me, and that as he intended to make a March towards the Enemy the next Morning, he had fent an Express to Edinburgh for me. Accordingly on Saturday the 12th Instant, our whole Army march'd over the Bridge of Sterling towards the Enemy, who lay at a Place call'd Ardoch, about seven Miles from this Place, and in the Evening our Army came within about three Miles of the Enemy's Camp. We lay all that Night on our Arms, and the next Morning being Sunday, by break of Day I went with his Grace where our advanc'd Guard was posted, and had a plain View of the Rebels Army, all drawn up in Line of Battle, which

which confifted of Nine thousand and one hundred Men. They feem'd to make a Motion towards us: Upon which the Duke order'd me immediately back, to put our Men in Order; and foon after, his Grace order'd them to march to the top of a Hill against the Enemy: But before all, or not above half our Army, was form'd in Line of Battle, the Enemy attack'd us. The Right of their Line, which vaftly out-wing'd us, lay in a hollow Way, which was not perceiv'd by us, nor possible for us to know it, the Enemy having Possession of the Brow of the Hill; but the Left of their Army was very plain to our View. The moment we got to the top of the Hill, not above half of our Men were come up, or could form; the Enemy, that were within little more than Pistol-shot, began the Attack with all their Left upon our Right. I had the Command of the Foot: The Enemy were Highlanders; and as it is their Custom, gave us Fire; and a great many came up to our Nofes, Sword in Hand; but the Horse on our Right, with the constant Fire of the Plottoons of Foot, foon put the Left of their Army to the Rout. The Duke of Argyle pursuing, as he thought, the Main of their Army, which he drove before him above a Mile () 2

and a half over a River. As I march'd after him as fast as I could, with a little above three Regiments of Foot, I heard great Firing on our Left; and fent my Aid-de-Camp to fee the Occasion of it, and found that the Right of the Enemy's Army, that lay in the hollow Way, and was fuperior to that Part of their Army which we had beaten, was fallen upon the Left of our Line, with all the Fury imaginable; and, as our Men were not form'd, they cut off just the half of our Foot, and our Squadrons on our Left. The Duke, who purfued the Enemy very fast, was not apprized of this: And as he had order'd me to march as fast as I couldafter him, I was oblig'd to flacken my March, and fend to his Grace to inform him of what had happened. I kept what Foot I had in perfect Order, not knowing but my Rear might foon be attack'd by the Enemy that had beat our Left. which proved to be the Flower of their At last, when the Duke had put to Flight that part of the Rebel-Army he was engaged with, he came back to me, and could not have imagin'd to fee fuch an Army as was behind us, being three times our Number; but as I had kept that part of our Foot which first engag'd in very good Order, his Grace join'd me with

with five Squadrons of Dragoons, and we put the best Face on the Matter to the Right about, and fo march'd to the Enemy, who had defeated all the Left of our Army. If they had had either Courage or Conduct, they might have entirely destroy'd my Body of Foot; but it pleased God to the contrary. I am apt to conjecture, their Spirits were not a little dampt, by having been Witnesses some Hours before of the firm Behaviour of my Foot, and thought it hardly possible to break us. We march'd in a Line of Battle, till we came within half a Mile of the Enemy, and found them ranged at the top of a Hill, on very Advantageous Ground, and above 4000 in Number. We posted our selves at the Bottom of the Hill, having the Advantage of Ground, where their Horse could not well attack us: For we had the Convenience of fome Earth-Walls, or Ditches, about Breast high; and, as Evening grew on, we inclined with our Right towards the Town of Dumblain, in all the Order that was possible. The Enemy behaved like civil Gentlemen, and let us do what we pleased; so that we passed the Bridge of Dumblain, posted our selves very fecurely, and lay on our Arms all Night. This Morning we went with a Body 0 3

Body of Dragoons to the Field of Battle, brought off the wounded Men, and came to this Town in the Evening. General Webb's late Regiment, now Morrison's, is one of the unfortunate Regiments that were not form'd, and suffer'd most. Major Hamar is kill'd, with young Hillary, and many other Officers. General Evans and I had the good Fortune to be on the Right Wing, with the Duke. General Evans had his Horse shot dead under him, and escaped very narrowly, as well as my felf.

P. S. Our whole Army did not confift of above a Thousand Dragoons, and 2500 Foot; and but a little more than Half of them engaged. However, I must do the Enemy that Justice, to say, I never saw Regular Troops more exactly drawn up in Line of Battle, and that in a Moment; and their Officers behav'd with all the Gallantry imaginable. All I can say, is, It will be of the last Danger to the Government, if we have not Force to destroy them soon. The Loss on both Sides I leave for another Time, when we have a more exact Account.

The Earl of Mar's Letter to Colonel Balfour, Governor of Perth.

Ardoch, Nov. 13th, 1715.

'I Thought you would be anxious to know the Fate of this Day. We at-' tack'd the Enemy on the End of the ' Sheriff-Moor at twelve of the Clock this ' Day, on our Right and Centre; carried ' the Day intirely; purfued them down ' to a little Hill on the South of Dum-' lain; and there I got most of our Horse, ' and a pretty good Number of out Foot, ' and brought them again into some Or-' der. We knew not then what was be-' come of our Left, so we return'd to ' the Field of Battle. We discern'd a ' Body of the Enemy on the North of ' us, confifting mostly of the Grey Dra-' goons, and fome of the Black. We also ' discover'd a Body of their Foot farther ' North upon the Field, where we were ' in the Morning; and East of that, a Body, as we thought, of our own Foot, and I still believe it was fo. I form'd the Horse and Foot with me in a Line on the North-fide of the Hill where

we had engaged, and kept our Front towards the Enemy to the North of us, who feem'd, at first, as if they intended to march towards us; but upon our forming, and marching towards them, ' they halted, and march'd back to Dum-' blain. Our Baggage and Train-Horses ' had all run away in the beginning of ' the Action: But we got some Horses, ' and brought off most of the Train to this Place, where we quarter to Night about Ardoch, whither we march'd in very good Order: And had our Left and Second Line behaved as our Right and the rest of the First Line did, our ' Victory had been compleat: But another Day is coming for that, and I hope e're long too.

'I fend you a List of the Officers Names who are Prisoners here, besides those who are dangerously wounded, and could not come along, whose Words of Honour were taken. Two of these are the Earl of Forfar, who, I'm afraid will die, and Captain Urqubart of Buris-Tard, who is very ill wounded. We have also a good Number of private Men Prisoners; but the Number I do

not exactly know.

' We have loft, to our Regret, the Earl of Strathmore, and the Captain of ' Clan-Ranald. Some are missing; but

' their Fate we are not fure of.

'The Earl of Panmure, Drummond of

'Logie, and Lieutenant-Colonel Mac-

' lean are wounded. This is all that I

' have to fay now, but that I am,

Yours, &c.

MAR.

P. S. We have taken a great many of the Enemy's Arms.

Montague's Regiment.

Lieutenant-Colonel Albert Lawrence.

Captain John Edwards.

Clayton's:

Captain William Barlow.
Lieutenant Edward Gibson.
Captain Michel Moret.

Lord Mark Ker's: Captain Walter Chiefly.

Earl Orrery's:

Lieutenant Thomas Mitchelson, Hay, and Richard Heneway.

Brigadier

Brigadier Morrison's:

Ensign Justin Holdman, since dead 5
Glenkendy, and a good Number of private Men and Arms.

The following Letter was written three Days after the Battle, by the Governor of Brunt-Island.

GLAN SHORE ELEMAN

Nov. 16. 1715.

"His Morning we had the following Particulars by Letters from ' the Governor of Perth, and Mr. Mark ' Wood Dean of Guild there : viz. That ' 110 private Men were brought Priso-' ners to Perth Yesterday, with ten Officers. The Enemy loft on the Spot above 800 Men; and of ours, there is ' not above fixty private Men killed, but ' feveral of our Officers are taken. We ' have got forty good Horses, and 1500 ' Stand of the Enemies Arms. Upon Receipt of this News the Governor ' acquainted the Magistrates, whereupon they went to Church, and thank'd ' God for the Victory.

An Account of the Engagement on the Sheriff-Muir near Dumblain, Novemb. 13.
1715. betwixt the K's Army, commanded by the Earl of Mar, and the D. of B-k's, commanded by Argyle.

Here being various and different Reports industriously spread Abroad, to cover the Victory obtained by the King's Army over the Enemy; the best Way to set it in a clear Light, is, to narrate the true Matter of Fact, and leave it to the World to judge impartially thereof.

Thursday, Nov. 10. The Earl of Mar review'd the Army at Auchterarder.

Friday 11. Rested.

Saturday 12. The Earl of Mar order'd Lieutenant-General Gordon, and Brigadier Ogilvie, with three Squadrons of the Marquis of Huntley, and the Mafter of Sinclair's five Squadrons of Horse, and all the Clans, to march and take Possession of Dumblain, which was order'd to be done two Days before, but was delay'd by some Interruptions, and all the rest of the Army was order'd, at the same time, to parade upon the Muir of Tullibardine very early, and to march after General Gordon. The Earl of Mar

went to Drummond-Castle, to meet with my Lord Broadalbin, and ordered General Hamilton to march the Army. Upon the March, General Hamilton had Intelligence of a Body of the Enemy's having taken Possession of Dumblain, which Account he fent immediately to the Earl of Mar. A little after, General Hamilton had another Express from General Gordon, who was then about two Miles to the Westward of Ardoch, that he had Intelligence of a great Body of the Enemy's being in Dumblain; upon which General Hamilton drew up the Army, fo as the Ground, at the Roman Camp, near Ardoch, would allow. A very little after, the Earl of Mar came up to the Army, and not hearing any more from Lieutenant-General Gordon, who was march'd on, judg'd it to be only some small Party of the Enemy to diffurb our March, ordered the Guards to be posted, and the Army to their Quarters, with Orders to affemble upon the Parade, any time of the Night or Day, upon the firing of three Cannon. A little after the Army was dismiss'd, the Earl of Mar had an Account from Lieutenant-General Gordon, that he had certain Intelligence of the Duke of Argyle's being at Dumblain with his whole Army. Upon which the General was ordered to halt, 111077

halt, till the Earl should come up to him, and ordered the three Guns to be fired; upon which the Army form'd immediately, and march'd up to Lieutenant-General Gordon at Kinbuck, where the whole Army lay under Arms, with Guards advanc'd from each Squadron and Batta-

lion till break of Day.

Sunday the 13th, The Earl of Mar gives Orders for the whole Army to form on the Moor, to the Left of the Road that leads to Dumblain, fronting to Dumblain; the General Persons were ordered to their Posts. The Sterling Squadron with the King's Standard, and two Squadrons of the Marquis of Huntley's, form'd the Right of the first Line of Horse. All the Clans form'd the Right of the first Line of Foot; the Perthshyre and Fifethe Squadrons form'd the Left of the first Line of Horse; the Earl Marshal's Squadron on the Right of the fecond Line, three Battalions of the Marquis of Seaforth's Foot, two Battalions of my Lord Huntley's, the Earl of Panmure's, the Marquis of Tullibardine's, the Battalions of Drummond commanded by the Viscount of Strathallan and Logie Almond, the Battalion of Strowan, and the Angus Squadron of Horse form'd the second Line. When the Army was forming,

we discover'd some small Number of the Enemy, on the Height of the West-end of the Sheriff-Muir, which looks into Dumblain; from which Place they had a full View of our Army. The Earl of Mar call'd a Council of War, confifting of all the Noblemen, Gentlemen, General Officers, and Heads of the Clans. which was held in the Front of the Horse. on the Left, where it was voted to fight the Enemy, Nemine contradicente. Upon which, the Earl of Mar ordered the Earl Marshal, Major-General of the Horse, with his own Squadron, and Sir Donald Mac-Donald's Battalion, to march up to the Height where we faw the Enemy, and dislodge them, and fend an Account of their Motions and Dispositions. No fooner the Earl Marshal begun his March. but the Enemy disappear'd, and the Earl of Mar ordered the Army to march up after them. By the other Generals Orders, the Lines march'd off the Right, divided in the Centre, and march'd up the Hill in four Lines. After marching about a Quarter of a Mile, the Earl of Marshal sent back an Account that he discover'd the Enemy forming their Line very near him, to the South of the top of the Hill; upon which the Army, particularly the Horse, was order'd to march

up very quickly, and form to the Enemy: but by the breaking of their Lines in marching off, they fell in some Confusion in the forming, and some of the second Line jumbled into the first, on or near the Lest, and some of the Horse form'd near the Centre, which seems to have been the Occasion that the Enemy's sew Squadrons on the Right were not routed as the rest.

The Earl of Mar plac'd himself at the Head of the Clans, and finding the Enemy only forming their Line, thought fit to attack them in that Posture; he fent Co-Ionel William Clepham, Adjutant-General. to the Marquis of Drummond, Lieutenant-General of the Horse on the Right, and to Lieutenant-General Gordon on the Right of the Right of the Foot, and Major David Erskine, one of his Aids-de-Camp, to the Left, with Orders to march up and attack immediately: And upon their return, pulling off his Hat, wav'd it with a Huzza, and advanc'd to the Front of the Enemy's form'd Battalions; upon which, all the Line to the Right, being of the Clans, led on by Sir Donald Mac-Donald's Brothers, Glengary, Captain of Clan-Ranald, Sir John Maclean, Glenco Campbel of Glenlyon, Colonel of Broadalbin's, and Brigadier Ogil-

vy of Boyne, with Colonel Gordon of Glenback, at the Head of Huntley's Battalions, made a most furious Attack, so that in feven or eight Minutes, we could neither perceive the Form of a Squadron, or Battalion of the Enemy before us. We drove the main Body and Left of the Enemy, in this manner, for about half a Mile, killing and taking Prisoners all that we could overtake. The Earl of Mar endeavour'd to stop our Foot, and put them in some Order to follow the Enemy, which we faw making off in fome finall Bodies, from a little Hill below, towards Dumblain, where the Earl of Mar resolved to follow them to compleat the Victory: When an Account was brought him that our Left, and most of our fecond Line, had given way, and the Enemy was pursuing them down the back of the Hill, and had taken our Artillery. Immediately the Earl of Mar gave Orders for the Horse to wheel, and having put the Foot in Order, as fast as could be, march'd back with them. When he was again near the top of the Hill, two Squadrons of the Enemy's Grey Dragoons were perceived marching towards us. When they came near the top of the Hill, and faw us advancing in order to attack them, they made much faster

fafter down the Hill than they came up, and joined at the Foot of the Hill to a fmall Squadron or two of the Black Dragoons, and a fmall Battalion of Foot. which we judged had march'd about the West-end of the Hill, and joined them. At first they again seem'd to form on the Low Ground, and advanc'd towards us; but when they faw us marching down the Hill upon them, they filed very fpeedily to Dumblain. The Earl of Mar remain'd possest of the Field of Battle, and our own Artillery, and stood upon the Ground till Sun-fet; and then, confidering that the Army had no Cover or Victuals the Night before, and none to be had nearer than Braco, Ardoch, and Adjacents, whereby his Lordship expected the Left to rally, and the Battalions of the Lord George Murray, Innernyhe, M'Pherson, and Mac-Gregor, to join him, resolved to draw off the Artillery, and march the Army to that Place, where were some Provisions; there were two Carriages of the Guns broke, which we left on the Road. But these Battalions did not join us till the next Day Afternoon, before which the Enemy was return'd to Sterling.

We took the Earl of Forfar who was dangerously wounded, Colonel Lawrence,

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and ten or twelve Captains and Subalterns, and about 200 Sergeants and private Men, and the Laird of Glenkindy one of the Voluntiers, four Colours, several Drums, and about 14 or 1500 Stands of Arms. We compute that there lay kill'd in the Field of Battle about 7 or 800 of the Enemy; and this is certain, that there lay dead upon the Field of Battle above fifteen of the Enemy to one of ours: Besides the Number of the

Wounded must be very great.

The Prisoners taken by us were very civilly us'd, and none of them stript. Some are allow'd to return to Sterling upon their Parole, and the Officers have the Liberty of the Town of Perth. The sew Prisoners taken by the Enemy on our Lest, were most of them stript and wounded, after taken. The Earl of Panmure being sirst of the Prisoners wounded after taken. They having resus'd his Parole, he was lest in a Village, and by the hasty Retreat of the Enemy, upon the approach of our Army, was rescu'd by his Brother and his Servants, and carried off.

Monday 14. The Earl of Mar drew out the Army early in the Morning, on the same Field at Ardoch they were on the Day before. About Eleven a-Clock

we perceived some Squadrons of the Enemy on the top of the Hill, near the Field of Battle, which march'd over the top of the Hill, and a little after we had an Account of their marching to Sterling. Upon which the Earl of Mar march'd back with his Army, who continued about Auchterarder.

Tuesday 15. Rested.

Wednesday 16. The Earl of Mar left General Hamilton, with the Horse to canton about Duplin, and Lieutenant-General Gordon with the Clans, and the rest of the Foot about Forgan and Adjacents, and went into Perth himself to order Provisions for the Army; the want of which, was the Reason of his returning to Perth.

Thursday 17. The Earl of Mar order'd General Hamilton to march with the Horse, and some of the Foot to Perth, and Lieutenant-General Gordon with the Clan's, to canton about that Place.

After writing the former Narrative, we have Account from Sterling, that the Enemy lost 1200 Men, and after Enquiry we cann't find above 60 of our Men in all kill'd, among whom were the Earl of Strathmere, the Captain of Clan-Ranald, P 2 both

both much lamented. Auchterhouse is missing. Very few of our Men are wounded.

Perth, Printed by Robert Freebairn, 1715.

It was reported that one Drummond an Officer in Argyle's Army, went to Perth under the Notion of a Deferter, and communicated his Mind to my Lord Drummond, who made him his Aid de Camp; and that at the Battle of Dumblain he was attending the Earl of Mar to receive his Orders. When the Earl of Man thought that his Right Wing was like to defeat Argyle's Left, he dispatched the faid Mr. Drummond to General Hamilton (who commanded the Left of the Earl Mar's Army) with Orders to attack the Enemy briskly, for he was like to have the best on the Right; but that Mr. Drummond, instead of delivering the faid Order, gave the direct contrary Orders to General Hamilton, and told him, That the Earl of Mar was worsted on the Right, and defired him to retire with all hafte with as good Order as possible. Upon which General Hamilton gave Order to to halt, which was obeyed; then the Right

Right of the Duke of Argyle's Army approaching them, the most part of them gave way without siring a Gun; and those that stood, were for the most part Gentlemen and Officers, who were severely galled by the Duke of Argyle and and his Right Wing; so that many of them were killed on the Spot, and others taken Prisoners: And that Mr. Drummond, after he gave the aforesaid Orders to General Hamilton, deserted to the Duke of Argyle's side. But this I do not affirm for a Truth.

There was another Thing very observable in that Days Service, viz. That one Robert Roy Mas-Grigor, alias Campbell, a noted Gentleman in former Times for Bravery, Resolution, and Courage, was with his Men and Followers within a very little Distance from the Earl of Mar's Army, and when he was desired by a Gentleman of his own to go and assist his Friends, he answer'd, If they could not do it without me, they should not do it with me: That is, If they could not conquer their Enemies without him, he should not assist them in the doing of it.

This Engagement being over, News was brought that the Earl of Sutherland with 3 or 4000 Men, of whom 1000 are P 3

his own, 500 of the Ross's, 500 of the Frazer's, under the Command of Lord Lovet their Chief, 300 Mackay's, 300 Forbes's, and 300 Monroe's, march'd directly towards Inverness, before which Place they came the 10th of November, and summoned the Governor Sir John Mackenzie, who, with about 300 of his Name, held it for the Earl of Seaforth, and refused to surrender, retiring to the Castle; out of which he retreated, and upon the 12th they took Possession of the Town and Castle.

The Fact in general was true, tho' the Persons were wrong named in the Account, the Earl of Sutherland not being in the Action, or any of his Men. However, I say, the Town was taken, and the Loss of this Important Place was no small Affliction to the Earl of Mar and his Party, who, with his remaining Forces, after his Disappointment at Sheriff-Muir, retired to Perth, and the Duke of Argyle to Sterling, where both continued Quiet the remaining part of November, and all the next Month; during which time 6000 Dutch Foot, lately landed from Holland, were in feveral Detachments marching with the utmost Expedition, and by long Marches, to reinforce the Duke of Argyle's Army. Besides these Forces,

Forces, the General ordered a Set of General Officers to be sent to him, for the directing the Troops, which indeed were very much wanted. These were Lieutenant-General Cadogan, General Whetham, Wightman, Evans, Stanwix, and Grant. Major-General Sabine arrived there also from Ireland.

The 22d of this Month the Pretender landed within a few Miles of Aberdeen; from thence he marched to Scoon, two Miles from Perth, where he iffued out feveral Proclamations; one for a general Thankfgiving for his fafe Arrival, another for praying for him in the Churches, a third for the Currency of all Foreign Coins, a fourth for fummoning a Meeting of the Convention of States, a fifth for arming all fensible Men from Sixteen to Sixty, and ordering them to repair to his Royal Standard. He was here addressed by the Episcopal Clergy in the Diocese of Aberdeen, and one from the Magistrates of the faid City, which with his Answers are as follows.

To the King's most excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Episcopal Clergy of the Diocese of Aberdeen, presented to his Majesty by the Reverend Doctors James and George Gardens, Dr. Burnet, Mr. Dunbreck, Mr. Blair, and Mr. Maitland, at Fetterosse, the 29th of December, 17 5. Introduc'd by his Grace the Duke of Mar, and the Right Honourable the Earl Marishal of Scotland.

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and dutiful Subjects, the Epifcopal Clergy of the Diocese of Aberdeen,
do, from our Hearts, render Thanks to
Almighty God, for your Majesty's safe
and happy Arrival into this your ancient
Kingdom of Scotland, where your Royal
Presence was so much longed for, and so
necessary to animate your loyal Subjects,
our noble and generous Patriots, to go
on with that invincible Courage and Resolution which they have hitherto so successfully exerted, for the Recovery of the
Rights of their King and Country, and to
excite

excite many others of your good Subjects to join them, who only wanted this great

Encouragement.

We hope, and pray that God may open the Eyes of such of your Subjects, as malicious and self-designing Men have industriously blinded with Prejudices against your Majesty, as if the Recovery of your just Rights would ruin our Religion, Liberties, and Property, which by the overturning of these Rights have been highly encroach'd upon 3 and we are persuaded, that your Majesty's Justice and Goodness will settle and secure those just Privileges, to the Conviction of your most malicious Enemies.

Almighty God has been pleased to train up your Majesty from your Infancy, in the School of the Cross, in which the Divine Grace inspires the Mind with true Wisdom and Virtue, and guards it against those false Blandishments by which Prosperity corrupts the Heart: And as this School has sent forth the most illustrious Princes, as Moses, Joseph, and David; so we hope the same infinitely Wise and Good God designs to make your Majesty, not only a Blessing to your own Kingdoms, and a true Father of them, but also a great Instrument of the general Peace and Good of Mankind.

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Your Princely Virtues are such, that, in the Esteem of the best Judges, you are worthy to wear a Crown, tho' you had not been born to it; which makes us consident, that it will be your Majesty's Care to make your Subjects a happy People, and so to secure them in their Religion, Liberties, and Property, as to leave no just Ground of Distrust, and to unite us all in true Christianity, according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and the Pra-

clice of the Primitive Christians.

We adore the Goodness of God, in preferving your Majesty amidst the many Dangers to which you have been expofed, notwithstanding the hellish Contrivances form'd against you, for encouraging Affaffins to murder your facred Perfon, a Practice abhorred by the very Heathens. May the same merciful Providence continue still to protect your Majesty, to prosper your Arms, to turn the Hearts of all the People towards you, to subdue those who resist your just Pretensions, to establish you on the Throne of your Ancestors, to grant you a long and happy Reign, to bless you with a Royal Progeny, and at last with an Immortal Crown of Glory. And as it has been, still is, and shall be our Care, to instill into the Minds of

of the People true Principles of Loyalty to your Majesty, so this is the earnest Prayer of,

(May it please your Majesty)

Your Majesty's most faithful,

most dutiful, and

most humble Subjects

and Servants.

To which Address his (pretended) Majesty was pleased to give the following Answer.

I Am very sensible of the Zeal and Loyalty you have expressed for me, and shall be glad to have Opportunities of giving you Marks of my Favour and Protection.

The Address of the Magistrates and Citizens of Aberdeen to the Pretender.

To the King's most excellent Majesty.

E your ever-loyal and dutiful Subjects, the Magistrates, Town-Council,

Council, and other your Majesty's loyal Subjects, Citizens of Aberdeen, do heartily congratulate your Arrival to this your Native and Hereditary Kingdom. Heaven very often enhances our Bleffings by Disappointments; and your Majesty's safe Arrival, after such a Train of Dissiculties, and so many Attempts, makes us not doubt but that God is propitious to your just Cause.

As your Majesty's Arrival was seasonable, so it was surprizing. We were happy, and we knew it not. We had the Blessing we wish'd for, yet insensible, till now, that your Majesty has been pleased to let us know, that we are the happiest, and, as so we shall always endeavour to be, the most loyal of,

May it please your Majesty, &c.

The Pretender's Answer.

I Am very sensible of the Duty and Zeal you express for me in this Address; and you may assure yourselves of my Protection.

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In the mean time, to raise the Affections of the People for the Pretender, the Earl of Mar issued out a Circular Letter in Praise of the Pretender.

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Glames, 5 Jan. 1716.

I Met the King at Fetterosso on Tuesday Sen'night where we flaid till Friday. from thence we came to Briechin, then to Kinnard, and Yesterday here. The King defign'd to have gone to Dundee to Day, but there is such a fall of Snow, that he is forced to put it off till to Morrow, if it be practicable then; and from thence he defigns to go to Scoon. There was no hafte in his being there fooner, for nothing can be done this Season, else he had not been fo long by the Way. People every-where, as we have come along, are excessively fond to see him, and express that Duty they ought, without any Compliments to him; and to do him nothing but Justice, set aside his being a Prince, he is really the finest Gentleman I ever knew: He has a very good Presence, and refembles King Charles a great deal. His Presence however is not the best of him: He has fine Parts, and dispatches all

all his Business himself with the greatest Exactness. I never faw any Body write fo finely. He is Affable to a great Degree, without losing that Majesty he ought to have, and has the sweetest Temper in the World. In a word, he is every way fitted to make us a happy People, were his Subjects worthy of him. have him peaceably fettled on his Throne, is what these Kingdoms do not deserve; but he deserves it so much, that I hope there's a good Fate attending him. fure there is nothing wanting to make the rest of his Subjects as fond of him as we are, but their knowing him as we do ; and it will be odd, if his Presence among us, after his running so many Hazards to compass it, do not turn the Hearts, even of the most Obstinate. It is not fit to tell all the Particulars, but I affure you he has left nothing undone, that well could be, to gain every Body, and I hope God will touch their Hearts.

I have Reason to hope we shall very quickly see a new Face of Affairs Abroad in the King's Favour, which is all I date

commit to Paper.

MAR.

Likewise

Likewise the Pretender issued out the following Order for Burning the Country.

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Whereas it is absolutely necessary for our Service, and the publick Safety, that the Enemy should be as much incommoded as possible, especially upon their March towards us, if they should attempt any thing against us or our Forces; and being this can by no means be better effected than by destroying all the Corn and Forage which may ferve to support them on their March. and burning the Houses and Villages which may be necessary for quartering the Enemy, which nevertheless it is our Meaning should only be done in Case of absolute Necessity; concerning which we have given our full Instructions to James Graham Younger of Braco: These are therefore ordering and requiring you, how foon this Order shall be put into your Hands by the faid James Graham, forthwith, with the Garrison under your Command, to burn and destroy the Village of Auchterarder, and all the Houses, Corn, and Forage whatfover within the faid Town, fo (224)

fo as they may be rendred entirely useless to the Enemy. For doing whereof this shall be to you, and all you employ in the Execution hereof, a sufficient Warrant. Given at our Court of Scoon, this 17th Day of January, in the Fisteenth Year of our Reign, 1715-16.

By his Majesty's Command,

To Colonel Patrick
Graham, or the
Commanding Officer for the Time
of our Garrison for
Tullibardine.

MAR.

During these Things, the Government was not idle; the Dutch Troops began to arrive, and the General Officers abovenamed made the necessary Preparations at Sterling to be in a readiness to march towards Perth to attack the Pretender's Forces, at all Hazards. At the same time the agreeable News was published in the Army, that the Earl of Seaforth design'd to return to his Duty and Loyalty to King GEORGE: Which, tho' it appear'd afterwards to be otherwise, yet at that time it put no little Damp upon the Spirits of the Rebels. The chief Obstacle that now retarded the King's Forces from marching

marching, was not fo much owing to the Rigour of the Season, and the Fall of the Snow, tho' that was extraordinary, as the want of Artillery, occasion'd by contrary Winds, which detain'd some Ships at the Buoy of the Nore laden with a Train and Stores from the Tower of London; but his Grace the Duke of Argyle bethought himself of the Garrison of Berwick, and fent thither 1500 Draught Horses and 500 Men, to bring from thence a small Train of Artillery confifting of ten Pieces of Cannon and four Mortars, with their Carriages of Ammunition, &c. which, together with fourteen Pieces of Cannon and two Mortars. the Duke had already with him, made a fufficient Train for his Expedition, at least for the first setting out. It is true, his Grace wanted a Company of Gunners and Engineers for the Service, which luckily were brought to him the 29th, by Colonel Borgard, who the Day before arrived in the Frith with the Men of War and Transports that had on Board the Artillery and Stores fo long expected from London.

At the same time the Duke of Argyle ordered a great many Pioneers to be summoned to attend the March of the Army, and about 2000 Waggons to be got ready,

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resolving to carry sourteen Days Provifion for the whole Army, as also a proportionable Quantity of Forage for the Horses.

On the 21st of January, Colonel Ghest was detach'd from Sterling with 200 Dragoons, to reconnoitre the Roads leading to Perth, in Order to begin the March

of the Army.

On Tuesday the 24th of January, the Duke of Argyle and General Cadogan went Personally to view the Roads leading to Perth; which put the Rebels into such a Consternation, that some of their small Garrisons abandoned their Posts in Fife, end retired behind the River Ern: But the Army was not yet march'd. Upon their return to Sterling, the Duke of Argyle ordered a Detachment to take Post at Dumblain, and another at Down.

January 29th, His Majesty's Army, under the Command of the Duke of Argyle, advanced from Sterling to Dumblain, and the same Morning a Detachment of Troops, with two Pieces of Cannon approach'd the Castle of Braco, which was immediately abandon'd by

the Rebels.

January the 30th, a Detachment of 200 Dragoons and 400 Foot, with two Pieces of Cannon, march'd to Tullibardine,

dine, and dislodged the Rebels from thence, and took Post there, to cover the Country People that were employ'd in clearing the Roads from the Snow. The Army this Night advanced to Ardoch and and Auchterarder, and lay all Night in the open Air in the Snow, the Country

being destroy'd by the Rebels.

On Tuesday the last of January they past the River Ern without Opposition, and advanced to Tullibardine, within eight Miles of Perth. About ten a-Clock that Morning the Rebels abandon'd Perth. marching over the River Tay upon the Ice, and about Noon the Pretender and the Earl of Mar followed. The Duke of Argyle received notice of their Retreat about four in the Afternoon, whereupon he immediately ordered a Detachment of 400 Dragoons and 1000 Foot to march and take Possession of the Place, which they entred about ten next Morning without Opposition. His Grace, with General Cadogan, and the Dragoons following the same Day, arrived there about one in the Morning; the rest of the Army marching flowly, by reason of the bad Weather and Ways, arrived in the Evening. They took fome of the Rebels Prisoners here, who, being drunk, had stay'd behind the rest. The Place being Q. 2 thus thus possess'd, the Duke of Argyle with the utmost Diligence pursued the flying Enemy the next Day, being February the 2d, to Errol, with six Squadrons of Dragoons, three Battalions, and eight hundred detached Foot.

The next Day they proceeded to Dundee, where the rest of the Army came on the 4th. The Rebels retired from Dundee to Montrose, keeping still two Days march before the King's Army; and his Grace fent on the 3d a Detachment towards Aberbrotheck, within eight Miles of Montrose, and on the 4th in the Morning his Grace divided the Troops, and first ordered Major-General Sabine with three Battalions, 500 detached Foot, and fifty Dragoons to march to Aberbrotheck, there being two Roads to Montrose, one by Brechin, the other by Aberbrotheck; and then detached the fame Day Colonel Clayton with 300 Foot and fifty Dragoons, to march by the way of Brechin, giving Orders as well to Major-General Sabine, as to Colonel Clayton, to fet the Country People to work to clear the Roads.

His Grace having divided the rest of his Army into two Bodies, for marching with the greater Expedition, proceeded on the 5th in the Morning with all the Cavalry Cavalry by the upper Road towards Brechin, as did Lieutenant-General Cadogan with the Infantry towards Aberbrotheck, the whole Army being to join the next Day near Montrose.

An Account of the Pretender's Conduct in this Flight, and his getting off, you'll find as follows:

N the 15th of February, about Noon, in his March to Aberbrothick, General Cadogan received Intelligence, That the Day before, about Four in the Afternoon, the Pretender receiv'd Advice at Montrose, that part of the King's Army was advancing towards Aberbrotheck; whereupon he ordered the Clans which had remained with him after his Flight from Perth, to be ready to march about Eight at Night towards Aberdeen, where he affur'd them a confiderable Force would foon come from France. At the Hour appointed for their March, the Pretender ordered his Horses to brought before the Door of the House in which he lodged, and the Guard which usually attended him to mount, as if he design'd to go on with the Clans to Aberdeen: But at the same time he flipped Q3

flipped privately out on Foot, accompanied only by one of his Domesticks, went to the Earl of Mar's Lodgings, and from thence by a By-way to the Waterfide, where a Boat waited, and carried him and the Earl of Mar on Board a French Ship of about 90 Tuns, called the Maria Teresa of St. Malo. About a quarter of an Hour after, two other Boats carried the Earl of Melfort and the Lord Drummond, with Lieutenant-General Sheldon, and ten other Gentlemen, on Board the same Ship, and then they hoisted Sail and put to Sea. The Earls of Marischal and Southesk, the Lord Tinmouth Son to the Duke of Berwick. General Gordon, with many other Gentlemen and Officers of Distinction. were left behind to shift for themselves: Upon which the Clans for the most part dispersed, and ran to the Mountains, and about a Thousand of them, who continued in a Body, march'd towards Aberdeen.

And for better Information, please to read the *Journal written by the Earl of Mar at Paris, and there you will

^{*} Vide Appendix, p. 241, &c.

find fuch Reasons as he gives for his Master's Retreat, and its hoped it will be the Last with him. You will find an Account of the Strength of the Highland Clans added, which will never again be at the Pretender's Service; since they were ready to fight, and he unwilling to lead them or head them, unless to the Sea-shore.

A LIST of the most considerable Chiefs in Scotland, and the Number of Men they can raise, with an Account of their Disposition for or against the Government.

THE Duke of Hamilton can raise 1000 Men, all with their Chief, dispos'd well for the Government.

The Dutchess of Buccleuch 1000 Men, all, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Duke of Gordon 3000 Men, with their Chief, who is Neutral; but most of them with his Son the Marquis of Huntley, who is against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

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The Duke of Argyle 4000 Men, most of them, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Duke of Douglass 500 Men, all, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Duke of Athole 6000 Men, few, with their Chief, who is for the Government; and most of them, with his Son the Marquis of Tullibardine, who is against it, and in the Rebellion.

The Duke of Montrose 2000 Men, few, with their Chief, who is for the Government; but most against it.

The Duke of Roxburgh 500 Men, all, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Marquis of Annandale 500 Men, all, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Earl of Errol 500 Men, few, with their Chief, who is Neutral; but most of them against the Government.

The Earl Marischall 500 Men, most, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Earl of Sutherland 1000 Men, most, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Earl of Mar 1000 Men, most with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Earl of Rothes 500 Men, all, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Earl of Mortoun 300 Men, all, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Earl of Glencairn 300 Men, most, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Earl of Eglingtoun 300 Men, most, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Earl of Cassils 500 Men, all, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Earl of Cathness 300 Men, few, with their Chief, who is Neutral; but most of them against the Government.

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The Earl of Murray 500 Men, few, with their Chief, who was lately against the Government, and is now for it; but most against it.

The Earl of Nithsdale 300 Men, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Earl of Wintown 300 Men, most, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Earl of Linlithgow 300 Men, most, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Earl of Hume 500 Men. He was confin'd in the Castle of Edinburgh; but most of his Men, with his Brother, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Earl of Perth 1500 Men, most with their Chief, who lives Abroad, with his Son the Lord Drummond, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Earl of Wigtoun 300 Men, most, with their Chief, against the Government.

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The Earl of Strathmore 300 Men, in the Rebellion.

The Earl of Lauderdale 300 Men, all, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Earl of Seaforth 3000 Men, most, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Countess of Dumfries 200 Men, for the Government.

The Earl of Southesk 300 Men, most, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Earl of Weems 300 Men, all, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Earl of Airly 500 Men, few, with their Chief, who is Neutral; but most, with his Son the Lord Ogilvie, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Earl of Carnwath 300 Men, most, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Earl of Panmure 500 Men, most, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Earl of Kilmarnock 300 Men, all, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Earl of Dundonald 300 Men, all, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Earl of Broadalbine 2000 Men, most, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Viscount of Stormount 300 Men, all, with their Chief, against the Government.

The Viscount Kenmure 300 Men, most, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Lord Forbes 500 Men, most, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Lady Lovat 500 Men, most, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

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The Lord Ross 500 Men, all, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Lord Rae 500 Men, all, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Lord Nairn 1000 Men, most, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

Here follow the CLANS.

SIR Donald Mac-Donald 1000 Men, all, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Laird of Glengary 500 Men, all with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Captain of Clanranald 500 Men, all, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Laird of Keppoch 300 Men, all, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Laird of Mac-Intosh 1000 Men, all, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Laird of Mac-Gregor 500 Men, most, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Laird of Strowan Robertson 300 Men, all, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Laird of Mac-Pherson 500 Men, all, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

Sir Evan Cameron 1000 Men, most, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

Sir John Mac-Lean 1000 Men, most, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Laird of Grant 1000 Men, all, with their Chief, for the Government.

The Laird of Appin 300 Men, all, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Laird of Mac-Leod 500 Men, most, with their Chief, who is a Minor, and Neutral.

The Laird of Mac-Kenning 200 Men, all, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Laird of Glenco 100 Men, all, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

The Laird of Glenmoriston 100 Men, all, with their Chief, against the Government, and in the Rebellion.

Mac-Neil of Barra 120 Men.

Chrisolme of Straglass 100 Men, with their Chief, in the Rebellion.

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Note, That all the Chiefs in Scotland, are Chiefs of Clans, properly so speaking, whether Noblemen or Gentlemen; but commonly the last only are call'd the Clans, and particularly those of them who live in the North and West Highlands and Isles.



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APPENDIX.

The Earl of Mar's Journal, printed at Paris, (as referr'd to Page 230)

SIR,



O U feem furpriz'd at the fudden Change our Affairs here have taken, from what you expected by the Accounts you had from fome

counts you had from fome of our Friends at Edinburgh, before our leaving Perth; and even after we were gone from thence: I will therefore, for R your

your Satisfaction, give you a true Account of that whole Matter.

It is plain enough, that it was our Bufiness to represent our Affairs then to the
Publick, to be in such a Posture as might
most encourage our Friends every-where,
and discourage our Enemies, and stop them
from marching against us until we were
in a better Condition to receive them;
which we had reason to expect soon to be,
by our Friends joining us, as they daily
promis'd to do, and until we should receive
the Money, Arms, and Amunition we
were every Day expecting, as we had been
for a long Time.

But that Time being now over, I may freely own to you, and it's fit you should know, that a Month before the Chevalier landed, the Resolution was taken of abandoning Perth, as soon as the Enemy should march against it: And the this Resolution was known to a good Number in our Army, yet the Secret was so well kept, that it never came to the Publick; so that the Enemy, believing that we would stand our Ground, thought themselves obliged to delay their March for a long time, until they had made great Preparations

parations of Artillery, &c. as if they had been going to beliege a fortify'd Town: But, in reality, our Condition was then such, as oblig'd us to take that Resolution, having neither a sufficient Number of Men, Ammunition, nor Arms.

Upon the Chevalier's Arrival, we expected that our Friends would then have certainly join'd us; both those who had formerly been with us, and were gone Home, and those who before had given, the Chevalier not being come, as the only Reason of their not joining the Army; and also that those, to whom the reducing of Inverness, the Lord Sutherland, and those with him, was committed, would have vigorously performed that Service, and then have join'd us; and we had no Reason to doubt, but Money, Ammunition, and Arms would immediately be sent after the Chevalier.

But, to our great Misfortune, we were disappointed in all those our Hopes, though never so well grounded in Appearance.

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The Rigour of the Season, and the great Fall of the Snow on the Hills, kept, in some measure, the rest of the Highlanders from joining us. Most of those who before had excus'd themselves upon the Chevalier's not being come, kept still at Home, now that he was come, waiting perhaps to fee how his Affairs were like to fucceed. Those employ'd for reducing of Inverness were so far from acting with Vigour, that they made, what they call'd it, a Cessation of Arms with the Enemy. Some Gold was fent to us in Lingo's; but the Ship in which it came was stranded, and the Gold loft. Several Ships came with Officers, but neither Arms nor Ammunition in any of them: So that our Condition, after the Chevalier's Arrival. was no-ways better'd, except by the new Life his Presence gave to the small Number we at that time had got together: Even in that weak Condition, the Chevalier would gladly have maintained Perth. or ventur'd a Battle; but when the Enemy, with all their great Preparations, and an Army of above 8000 effective Regular Troops, were actually in March. and advanced near to the Place, it was found impracticable to defend the Town, and unadviseable to enter into a Battle with

with a small Number of Men that were in it, for a great many Reasons, too long to be here mentioned. But, in short, we had not above 4000, both Horse and Foot; and of these, for want of Arms, and for other Reasons, not above 2500 to be rely'd upon as good fighting Men. The Town is little better than an open Village at any Time; and at this, the River on one fide, and a kind of Fosse or Ditch on the other, were frozen up; fo that it was easy to be entred on all Quarters. The long continued Frost had kept the Mills from going; fo that there was not above two Days Provisions in the Town. The Enemy being then in Pofsession of the most part of Fife, where the Coal-Pits are, there were no Coals to be got; and Wood being scarce in the Country, there happened to be almost no Fuel at all. Besides this, the Highlanders are not used to defend Towns; nor had they wherewithal to defend this.

On the other hand, to have gone out to fight the Enemy, when there was no advantageous Post or Pass to be defended, had been exposing our Men to visible Destruction, the Enemy being provided with every thing, and thrice our Num-R₃ ber

ber of Fighting Men might have furrounded us on all fides, and prevented all Possibility of Retreat. All this puts us absolute Necessity of leaving into an Perth, and retiring Northwards, which we did in good Order, and came in two Days to Montrose and Brichen. Neither of these Places are tenable, tho' we had been provided, as we were not, with a fufficient Number of Men, Ammunition, and Provisions. But Montrose being a good Harbour, where we expected our Succours from Abroad, we were unwilling to quit it, fo long as we could remain fafe in it. We thought, indeed, that the Enemy would have made a Halt at Perth, and not have marched fo quickly after us, as we foon found they did, they being within a few Miles of us before we had certain Intelligence of it, tho' great Pains had been taken to be informed of their Motions. The Earl of Panmure not being recovered of the severe Wounds he had received at the Battle of Sheriffs-Moor, was not in a Condition to march along with the Army, which otherwise he would have done; upon which the Chevalier advis'd him, as he pass'd Dundee, to endeavour to get off in the first Ship he could find; and by Accident

cident finding a little Bark at Arbroth, went off in it for France.

Before this Time, feveral People had very feriously represented to the Chevalier the deplorable Circumstances in which his Affairs now were on all Sides; that being over-power'd in Scotland, no appearance of any Rifing in England, nor any News of the Succours he expected from Abroad; he had no Course at prefent to take, that was confistent with what he owed to his People in general, to those who had taken Arms for him in particular, and to himself upon their Account, but by retiring beyond Sea, to preserve himself for a better Occasion of afferting his own Right, and restoring them to their ancient Liberties.

It was indeed hard to bring him to think of this; but those about him found it now high time to press the Matter more than ever, the Enemy being within three Miles upon their March towards us. They therefore again represented to him the Impossibility of making a Stand any where, till they should come to the most inaccessible Places of the Mountains, where, in that Season of the Year, there R 4

being fo much Snow on the Ground, there could be no Subfiftance for any Body of Men together, and where no Succour could come to them: That when his fmall Army was divided into leffer Bodies, they could not avoid being cut off by the Enemies Troops, who would then be Master of all the Low Countries, and especially by the Garrisons they had in Inverlochy and Inverness, which they would reinforce: That as long as they knew he was in the Kingdom, they would pursue him, even with the Hazard of their whole Army, his Person being the chief Object of their Pursuit, as his Destruction was the only thing that could fecure their ---n; whereas, if he were gone off, they would not purfue with that Eagerness, nor would they find their Account in harraffing their Army in the Snow and excessive Cold of the Mountains, to pursue the scatter'd Remains of the Loyal Party, who might sculk in the Hills, till Providence should open a Way for their Relief, or that they could obtain Terms from the Government. That his Person being with them, would defeat even these faint Hopes; and that, in short, whilst he was in the Kingdom, they could never expect any Terms or CapiCapitulation, but by abandoning him, or giving him up; which, rather than ever confent to, they would be all, to the last Man, cut in Pieces.

Tho' the Chevalier was still extremely unwilling to leave his Loyal People, who had facrific'd their All with so much Zeal and Alacrity for his Service; yet when he confidered, that as Things then flood, his Presence, far from being a Help and Support to them, would rather be an Occasion of hastening their Ruin, he was fenfibly touch'd, to find himself, for their Sakes, under a Necessity of leaving them; there was no Answering their Reasons, nor any Time to be loft, the Danger encreafing every Moment. He therefore at last told them, that he was forry to find himself obliged to consent to what they defired of him; and, I dare fay, no Confent he ever gave, was fo uneafy to him as this was.

In the mean time, fresh Alarms coming of the Enemy's approaching, Orders were given for the Armies marching towards Aberdeen, and the Resolution was taken for his going off in the Evening. It happened very providentially, that there was just

just ready in the Harbour a small Ship, that had been defigned to carry a Gentleman he was then to have fent to a Foreign Court. This Ship was now pitched upon to transport him; she was but a fmall one, and could carry but a few Paffengers; and therefore, to avoid Confusion, he himself thought fit to name those who should attend him. The Earl of Mar, who was the first nam'd, made Difficulty, and begg'd he might be left behind; but the Chevalier being positive for his going, and telling him, that, in a great measure, there were the same Reasons for his going as for his own 5 that his Friends would more eafily get Terms without him, than with him 5 and that, as Things now stood, he could be no longer of any Use to them in that Country; he submitted.

The Chevalier likewise ordered the Marquis of Drummond to go along with him: This Lord was then Lame by a Fall from his Horse, and not in a Condition to sollow the Army, and was one of the sour with the Earl of Mar, Lord Tullibardine, and Lord Lithgon, against whom there was then a Bill of Attainder passing. The Chevalier would have willingly

lingly carried with him the other two Lords; but it happened that they were both then at a Distance, Lord Tullibardine at Brichen with a part of the Foot. and Lord Lithgow at Bervie with the Horse. Lord Marischal Gentleman of his Bed-chamber, was also ordered to go, tho' he feem'd very defirous to flay and share in the Fate of his Countrymen. Lieutenant-General Sheldon Vice-Chamberlain, had the same Orders; as had alfo Colonel Clephan who had left the Enemy. Lord Edward Drummond, who was also Gentleman of his Bed-chamber, happen'd to be with Lord Tinmouth at five Miles distance, and so could not go with the Chevalier, as he intended they both should; but he wrote to them to follow in a finall Ship that was then in the Harbour; but the Master of this Ship was frighten'd, and went away without carrying any Body.

The Chevalier then order'd a Commission to be drawn for Lieutenant-General Gordon to Command in Chief, with all necessary Powers inserted; and particularly one, to treat and capitulate with the Enemy: He left also the said General the Reasons of his leaving this Kingdom, and all the Money

Money that was in the Pay-masters Hands, or that he had himself, (save a fmall Sum for defraying his own and Company's Charges) and left Orders for a Sum of Money (if there should be any left after paying the Army) to be given to the poor People who fuffer'd by the Burning of Auchterarder, and some Villages about it, which had been thought necessary to be done, to prevent the Enemy's March. tho' very much against his Inclination, which made him delay from time to time, until the Enemy was actually on their March; and the Chevalier left a Letter with General Gordon for my Lord Argyle, to be delivered when the faid Money should be given, desiring that it should be distributed accordingly.

About nine a-Clock the Chevalier went on Board the Ship, which was about a Mile at Sea; Lord Marischal and Colonel Clephan came some time after to the Shore, but by an Accident sound no Boat, and so could not go off; tho as the Boat-men, who carried the Chevalier, assure us, he stay'd for them till near eleven a-Clock, but could stay no longer, because of the nine Men of War that were cruising thereabouts; and it was great good Luck that

that the Ship, having stay'd so long, got out of their Reach before it was Day-light.

As foon as the Chevalier parted, we marched, and we are now a good Way advanc'd towards the Highlands, for there was no Stand could be made at Aberdeen; nor could we think of going to Inverness, that being still in the Enemy's Hands. Some went to Peterhead, and thought to have got off in a Ship they found there; but we hear they were soon forc'd back by a Man of War; so it's like they may join us again, if they are not intercepted by the Enemy.

I must here add one Thing, which however incredible it may appear, is, to our Cost, but too true; and that is, That from the time the Earl of Marset up the Chevalier's Standard to this Day, we never receiv'd from Abroad the least Supply of Arms or Ammunition of any kind: Tho' it was notorious in itself, and well known, both to Friends and Enemies, that this was what from the Beginning we mainly wanted; and as such, it was insisted upon by the Earl of Mar, in all the Letters he writ, and by all

all the Messengers he sent to the other Side. Several Ships came with Officers. and some small Sums of Money, after the Battle of Sheriff-Moor, and three or four Ships more came after the Chevalier's Arrival; but even when he was with us in Person, no Powder was sent, nor a Sword or Mufquet: So that when we march'd from Perth, we had not 300 Weight of Powder for the whole Army; nor should we have wanted Men, had we had Arms to put in their Hands. How this main Point came to be fo entirely neglected by those who had the Management of the Chevalier's Affairs in their Hands on the other fide, is yet a Myftery to us; and it surprizes the more, that those who came lately over affure us. that both Arms and Ammunition might have been gotten from private Hands, without having the Obligation to any Foreign Prince. So whether this unaccountable Omission proceeded from meer Negligence, want of Money, or from a Jealoufy in forme, who were perhaps unwilling that we should be the Instruments of this great Work, and that it should fucceed in our Hands, or for fome other Bye-Reasons, is what Time may discover. Ally of assist on the m

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Thus I have given you true Matter of Fact, and a fincere Account of our unfortunate Condition. Whatever may now be our Fate, we have still one solid Ground of Comfort, that the Chevalier hath (as we hope) got safe out of the Reach of his Enemies; for in the Safety of his Person is all our Hopes of Relief; and we look on him as the Instrument referv'd by God, (and he now seems the only one in the ordinary Course of Providence) to rescue these Nations in due Time from their Oppression, and the lawless Dominion of F—.

Now if we look back a little, and confider our Affairs from the beginning of this last Attempt, I believe it will be found that no Nation in our Circumstances, and so destitute of all kind of Succour from Abroad, ever made so brave a Strugle for restoring their Prince and Country to their just Rights. And when it comes to be known to the World, (as some time or other it may) what Encouragements there were at Home and Abroad, reasonably to make us expect and hope for Success in this great, good, and necessary Work; it will appear no chimerical,

cal, rash, or ill-grounded Undertaking; and its not proving successful, plainly appears, by what hath been already said, and what follows, is not owing to the Chevalier, or his faithful Friends on this side.

When the Earl of Mar, by the Chevalier's Command, came down to Scotland, he found the People there more forward to take Arms, than his Instruction allowed him to confent to; and it was not without Difficulty that we could allay their first Heat. But the Chevalier not going into England, nor the Duke of Berwick coming to Scotland, as was generally expected, abated very much of that Forwardness; so that when the Government summon'd those they suspected, to appear, and give Bail for their good Behaviour, many of them feemed inclin'd to comply. The Earl of Mar, in Pur-fuance of his Instructions, found it then high time, for preventing this Step, to appear openly; and it was not without Difficulty that he could persuade some to join with him, they apprehending great Uncertainty of Success in the Affair, by no Account being come of the Chevalier. or Duke of Berwick's Arrival, nor of Money,

ney, Arms, Ammunition, or Officers, tho others were all along very forward. Upon the Resolution of taking Arms, he sent a Gentleman to give the Chevalier an Account of it.

It was near a Month, after the Earl of Mar fet up the Standard, before he could produce a Commission; and it is no small Proof of the Peoples Zeal for their Country, that so great a Number follow'd his Advice, and obey'd his Orders, before he could produce one. It must though be own'd, and it is the less to be wonder'd at, that his Authority being thus precarious, some were not so punctual in joining him, and other's perform'd not so effectually the Service they were fent upon; which had they done, not only Scotland, but even part of England, had been reduc'd to the Chevalier's Obedience, before the Government had been in a Condition to make Head against us. But as it was, most of those who had promis'd, and some who had not, join'd the Chevalier's Standard at Perth, about the end of October; at which time the Earl of Mar fent two Gentlemen to give the Chevalier an Account of the Condition they were in, of what they had, and of what they wanted, wanted, and to hasten his own, the Duke of Ormond's, and the Duke of Berwick's coming into Britain.

About this Time there was a Rifing of fome Noblemen and Gentlemen in the South of Scotland, who marching over the Borders, were join'd by some in the North of England; and they all together marching back into Scotland, the Earl of Mar fent over the Firth of Forth 1500 Foot to join them. This occasion'd the Duke of Argyle's leaving Sterling, and going with a part of his Army to Edinburgh. Now, had the Scots and English Horse, who were then in the South of Scotland. came and join'd the 1500 Foot, as was expected; had the Highland Clans perform'd, as they promis'd, the Service they were fent upon in Argyleshire, and marched towards Glasgow, as the Earl of Mar march'd towards Sterling; he had then given a good Account of the Government's Army, the Troops from Ireland not having yet join'd them, nor could they have join'd them afterwards. But all this failing, by fome cross Accidents, Lord Argyle returned with that part of his Army to Sterling, and the Earl of Mar could not, with the Men he then had. had, advance farther than Dumblain; and for want of Provisions there, was foon after oblig'd to return to Perth.

But immediately after we had got Provisions, and that the Clans and my Lord Seaforth had join'd us, we march'd again towards the Enemy; and notwithstanding the many Difficulties the Earl of Mar had upon that Occasion with some of our own People, he gave the Enemy Battle; and, as you faw in our printed Account of it, had not our Left Wing given Way, which was occasioned by Mistake of Orders, and Scarcity of Experienced Officers, that being compos'd of as good Men, and march'd as cheerfully up to the Field of Battle, as the other, our Victory had been compleat. And as it was, the Enemy, who was advanced on this fide the River, was forc'd to retire back to Sterling.

Amongst many good Qualities, the Highlanders have one unlucky Custom, not easy to be reform'd; which is, that generally after an Action they return Home. Accordingly a great many went off after the late Battle of Sheriff-Moor; fo that the Earl of Mar not being in a

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Condition to purfue the Advantage he had by it, was forc'd to return to Perth. waiting there, not without Impatience, both for the Return of the Highlanders, and for Money, Arms, and Ammunition, he had so often ask'd, and still expected from Abroad. But the Highlanders hearing nothing of the Chevalier, or the Duke of Berwick's coming, nor of the Supplies, did not return to the Army, as they had promis'd. And the Gentlemen of the Army, who had been long from Home, living still at their own Charge, which they could not well longer support, went also mostly Home, some without Leave, and others after a Leave, which the Earl of Mar faw well enough would be to no Purpose to refuse. Some indeed never thought of quitting the Army, and others return'd foon to it; but our Number was never again near fo great as it had been before the Battle About this Time we had the News of the fatal Affair at Preflon, which was no fmall Discouragement to the Army, fo that some who had been caballing privately before, began then to fpeak openly, of Capitulating with the Enemy, and found others more eafily to join with them.

We had at the same time another piece of bad News; which was, That Simon Frazer of Beauford (by some call'd Lord Lovat) had joined Lord Sutherland; and that they, with the Help of some other disaffected People thereabouts, had retaken Inverness. Upon this News, most of the Name of Frazer, who had joined the Chevalier's Army with Frazerdale, went now away, and join'd Beauford, or Lord Lovat, their Chief.

This oblig'd the Earl of Mar to fend Lord Seaforth North, to get his Men together, who had mostly returned Home after the Battle; and, in Conjunction with the Chevalier's Friends in that Country, to endeavour to recover Inverness.

In the mean time, those who were for Capitulating with the Enemy, press'd the Earl of Mar so hard to consent to it, that to prevent some Peoples making private separate Treaties, which he found they were about, he was at last forc'd to comcomply so far with them, as to send a Message from the whole Army to my

Lord Argyle, to know if he had Power to Treat with them? That Lord returned, with great Civility, this Answer; That he had no sufficient Powers to treat with them in a Body; but that be would write to Court upon the Subject. To which it was reply'd; That when he should let them know he had sufficient Power, they then would make their Propositions. By which the Affair was put off at that time; and we were fince informed, that my Lord Argyle never received these Powers; and that even his former Powers, which he fent up to be enlarged, were never returned to him.

Much about this Time, the Marquis of Huntley having, for some time, press'd his going Home with his Horse, the Earl of Mar consented to it, and gave him a Commission, in Conjunction with my Lord Seaforth, for reducing of Inverness, and those who opposed the Chevalier's Interest in that Country, which we then hop'd would be soon done.

After this, some, though but few, were discovered to have private Dealings

ings with the Enemy; and some others went Home, and never returned to the Army; but a good Number of the Noblemen and Gentlemen, and all the Heads of the Clans, still remained with the Army at Perth.

We had, about this time, the long-wish'd-for News of the Chevalier's being Landed; and that put an End, for the present, to any farther talking of Capitulations.

I have now given you a true, and, I hope, fatisfactory Account of the Condition we have been in, ever fince our first taking Arms; of the bad Condition in which the Chevalier found us at his Arrival; and of the Reasons that oblig'd him at last to leave us.

There remains yet to Answer one Question, which you may naturally ask, as most People do, on this Subject; and that is, Why the Chevalier delayed his Coming so long?

To Answer this Question to your Satisfaction, I must tell you, That I S 4 have

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have what I shall here relate, from Persons of unquestionable Veracity, who were then upon the Place, Eye and Ear Witnesses of what pass'd; and so you may safely rely upon it.

You have certainly heard, what was generally faid of the Chevalier's Sifter's Inclinations towards him, whilft fhe was in Possession of his Throne. But whatever there was of Truth in that, what I am well affured of is, that he was at laft fo little fatisfied with what was faid to him from thence, that he was fully refolved, whilst she was yet alive, to have gone into Scotland; and, in order to that, had already prepared a Declaration, or Manifesto, to have been there published upon his Arrival. How he was hinder'd from putting this Design in Execution by fome real Friends, that were themselves imposed upon, and by other pretended Friends, who were at the bottom real Enemies, is a Myftery which Time may discover.

Upon the first News of his Sister's Death, he immediately took Post, refolved to endeavour, at any Rate, to get

get into some part of his Dominions; but was stopp'd by those who had Power to do it effectually. Being then forced back to Lorain, he made and published his Protestation, which it's likely you have seen, and which, I can assure you, was drawn entirely by himself.

From that Time, as before, he had nothing in his Thoughts, but how and when he could affert his own Right, and deliver his People. He faw little Ground to hope for Succour from any Foreign Prince, and had only the Affections of his People, and the Advice of his Friends on this fide of the Water, to rely upon. Their Interest seemed now more than ever linked to his; and they being upon the Place, and confequently best able to judge of the fittest Time for his coming to them, it must be allow'd, that it had been no-ways Prudent nor Adviseable in him, to act contrary to their Opinion: And yet it is most certain, that it was only by following their Advice, contrary to his own Judgment and Inclination, that fo much Time was loft. Some of them in England

land infifted upon having a certain Number of Regular Troops to make Head at first, without which, they faid, nothing was to be attempted ; and though he fent them Word over and over. That, after all the Endeayours he could use, he found it absolutely impossible to obtain any Troops; yet they infifted for feveral Months in this Opinion, and by that Means the most favourable Time he ever had. was loft. Other Friends there pretended, that the Dispositions of the People would still grow more favourable towards him; and that there was no Danger, but Advantage, by Delaymends on their

Thus, though he had several Times fixed a Day for his Departure, he was still forced to delay, that he might not act contrary to the Advice of his Friends; and at another Time, because he found that his Enemies had discover'd his Design, and taken infallible Measures to intercept him. But as soon as his Friends began to see, and own the Mistakes they had been in, he, without any Regard to the many Dangers he had to go through,

through, set out from Commercy the 28th of October, and went incognito through a great Part of France, to the Coast of Britany; and to avoid falling into the Hands of many, who were plac'd upon the common Road to intercept him, he was obliged to cross the Country through Bye-ways, with only three People with him. His Design was to go to England, if Things appeared favourable there; or, if they did not, to go to Scotland.

When he arrived at St. Malo's, he found the Duke of Ormond returned from the Coast of England, to which he had gone some Days before, in Hopes to have found Friends ready to join him; but that having failed, by some Accidents of Discoveries, he was forced to return. Upon this he refolved to go into Scotland; and it not being thought safe for him to go through the British Channel, he had been advis'd to go round Ireland; and, by a Message from his Friends in Scotland, it was propos'd to him to land at Dunstaffnage, which was at that Time in their Possession; but soon after the Enemy came to be Masters

of it, by the Clans not performing what they were charg'd with in Argylefire, as is afore-mentioned. His Friends immediately inform'd him of this Change, by a fecond Message; and this confirm'd him in the Resolution he had himself before taken, of changing all his Measures, and, in place of taking that long, tedious Way, which was indeed the fafest, to take a much shorter, though a more dangerous Way for being intercepted by the Enemies Ships; he fent therefore immediately to prepare a small Ship privately for him at Dunkirk; which was accordingly done, though not without Difficulty.

He was now a fecond Time oblig'd to traverse a great Part of France, and that on Hore-back, in the very cosdest Time of this hard and severe Winter; exposed to greater Danger than in the Forth, from the greater Number of those who lay in wait for him on all the great Roads, which obliged him to travel by unfrequented Routs, where there was Accommodation bad enough; and yet all this Time, in that terrible Cold, he never

ver had the least Ailment or Indis-

It was about the middle of December (our Style) before he could reach Dunkirk; he was there informed, that there was a Man of War then lying in that very Road; and that there were a great many more cruizing on the Coast of France, England, and Scotland, all of them in wait for him; but he, without any Regard to these Dangers, went immediately on Board this small Ship with only three Servants, and, conducted by good Providence, arrived safe at Peterhead, where he landed the 22d of December (old Style.)

Having, I hope, now fully satisfy'd your Curiosity, I have only to add, That tho' it hath pleased God to permit, that this Attempt, tho' never so just, had not the wish'd-for Success; we have still reaped by it one great Advantage, which is, that we have seen with our own Eyes, and personally known our lawful S——n; and, to our unspeakable Satisfaction, discover'd in him all the great and good

good Qualities that are necessary for making a People every-way Happy.

The Time may, and I hope will yet come, when God, in his Mercy, will open the Eyes, and turn the Hearts of these Nations to a Sense of their Duty, and not permit so accomplished a Person to be always unfortunate: But however it shall please Providence to dispose of him, thus I can assure you, and you may rely upon it, that as his Right is indefeasible, he is simply resolved, by the Help of Almighty God, to assert it, whenever he finds a fit Opportunity, and never to depart from it, but with his Life.

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HE inclosed Relation having come to my Hands since I came to this Country; and having, upon Perusal, found it

it very exact in relating Matters of Fact; I thought you would be glad to see it, which makes me send it to you; and, if you think fit, you may shew it to your Friends where you are.

I am,

SIR,

Your most humble Servant,

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